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RUSI POTOPILI SEDEM NEMŠKIH TRANSPORTOV

Zavezniška letalska ofenziva se nadaljuje

AMERIČANI SE BLIŽAJO JAPONSKI BAZI

London, 25. apr.—Ruski letalci so potopili nadaljnjih sedem nemških transportov z vojaškimi četami vred, ki so skušali pobegniti iz Sevastopola, luke na Krimu ob Črnem morju, v Rumunijo. Poleg transportov so Rusi potopili in poškodovali več manjših ladij in parnikov.

Moskva poroča, da je več tisoč nemških in rumunskih vojakov izgubilo življenje, ko so skušali pobegniti iz obleganega Sevastopola preko Črnega morja. Rusi so ujeli čez 40,000 sovražnikov v teku ofenzive na Krimu, ki se je pričela 8. aprila.

(Radio Berlin poroča, da so Rusi obnovili naskoke na Sevastopol in da je bitka za posest tega mesta prišla v zadnjo fazo.)

Sovjetski komunikacije, objavljen danes zjutraj, omenja nemške protinapade na ruske pozicije v pokrajinah stare Poljske. Nemci so okupirali dve naselbini na zapadni strani Dubna, kateri pa so držali le nekaj ur. Sovjetske čete so ju reokupirale in v bitki ubile čez 400 sovražnikov.

Ljute bitke divjajo na južnozgodni strani Stanislava, stara Poljska, kakor tudi na ozemlju bližnji Tatarskega prelaza v Karpatih. Berlin poroča, da so nemške in ogrske čete zasedle Kutu, 30 milj vzhodno od prelaza.

Neapel, Italija, 25. apr.—Ameriške čete so s podporo oklopnih kolon preblele nemško bojno črto med Cisterno in Sessano na rimski fronti, se glasi poročilo. To dostavlja, da so bili nemški protinapadi na ameriške pozicije pri Caranu odbiti.

Zavezniški letalci so metali bombe na nemške komunikacijske zveze na severni strani Rima, ki so porušile več vojaških objektov in zanetile požare.

London, 25. apr.—Čez tri tisoč angleških in ameriških bojnih letal in bombnikov, ki so se dvignili z baz v Angliji in Italiji, je bombardiralo Friedrichshafen, Monakovo, Bukarešto, Plešto in Belgrad. Uradno poročilo pravi, da so vrgli čez štiri tisoč ton razstrelivnih in zažigalnih bomb na ta mesta.

Američani in Angleži so v spopadih v zraku sestrelili čez sto nemških bojnih letal, sami pa so izgubili 55 bombnikov.

Zavezniški stan na Pacifiku, 25. apr.—Ameriške čete pridruživši naprej na holandski Novi Gvineji po ozemlju ob zalivu Tanahmerahu v smeri Hollandije, velike japonske baze. Prve čete so oddaljene le dve milj od te baze.

Japonska sila okrog 60,000 vojakov v severnem delu Nove Gvineje je deloma obkrožena in v nevarnosti uničenja. Ameriški letalci, ki podpirajo operacije čet na kopnem, so razbili čez sto japonskih letal v napadih na letališča.

Cungking, Kitajska, 25. apr.—Japonsko poveljstvo je zagnalo nove čete v provinco Honan, da zmanjša odpor kitajske oborožene sil. Pravi uradni komunikacije. Ta priznava izgubo Čengšiena, važnega železniškega križišča.

Ljute bitke med Kitajci in Japonci divjajo na sto milj dolgi fronti na južni strani Rumene reke. Čungking poroča o velikih izgubah na obeh straneh.

Iz jubilejne kampanje

Bližamo se koncu prvega meseca jubilejne kampanje. Do zdaj se je prigrabilo čez sto društev, da aktivno posežejo v kampanjo, toda od teh je le kak duca, da so prigrabila tri ali več novih članov. Torej ni še nič senzacijskega.

Do zdaj se je najbolj postavil JOHN ZIGMAN, tajnik društva 138 v Strabanu, Pa., ki je prvi teden pridobil deset novih članov. Na drugem mestu sta br. MIKE BALOH, tajnik društva 7 v Claridgu, Pa., in br. LENHARD WERDINEK, tajnik društva 29 v Thomasu, W. Va., vsak s šestimi novimi člani. Na tretjem mestu je gl. odbornik MILAN MEDVEŠEK od društva 5, Cleveland, s štirimi novimi člani.

Mnogo veteranov iz preteklih kampanj in pridnih delavcev za jednoto je na delu tudi v tej kampanji. Med njimi so bolj znani JOSEPH F. DURN, LUCAS DERNOWSEK, GEORGE SMREKAR, JOSEPH F. SNOY, ANTON MEZNRICH, ANTON ZORNIK in drugi, katere vidite na listi prigrabljenih agitatorjev v angleški sekciji Prosvete. Poleg br. Medveška sta se prigrabila kot agitatorja v tej kampanji še dva člana gl. odbora, in sicer distriktna podpredsednika URŠULA AMBROZICH od društva 130 v Evelythu, Minn., in distriktni podpredsednik JAMES M. MAGLICH od društva 716, Imperial, Pa.

Od zadnjega poročila je številno prigrabljenih kontestantov naraslo od osem na 43, kar je zelo lepa porast, ako upoštevamo, da je kampanja šela v začetnem štadiju. Na podlagi tega lahko računamo, da bo tudi ta jubilejna kampanja jednota uspeh.

DIREKTOR KAMPANJE.

Stimson govori o potrebi enotnosti

Washington, D. C., 25. apr.—Vojni tajnik Henry L. Stimson je v svojem govoru na zborovanju Zveze urednikov ameriških časopisov naglašal potrebo enotnosti med ameriško oboroženo silo in civilisti. Sovražnik računa na razkol kot edino možnost, ki lahko prinese poraz zaveznikom.

"Morda mislite, da pretiravam," je rekel Stimson. "Opozoriti vas moram na dejstvo, da časopisni izražajo mnenje velikega dela ameriškega ljudstva, da je vojna že dobljena. To mnenje je napačno, kajti sovražnik je še močan in doprinasja bo treba žrtve v življenjih in materialu za končno zmago."

Stimson je opozoril urednike, da je sovražnik od začetka vojne vodil propagando, da je Amerika premeška, pomehkužena, zainteresirana v sebe ter razcepjena in da kot taka ne bo mogla voditi vojne na široki podlagi. Sovražnik se je sicer motil, toda optimizem v tem momentu, da je vojna že dobljena, ni upravičen.

Ustanovitev delavskega odbora

Diskuzije o ekonomskih smernicah

Philadelphia, Pa., 25. apr.—J. A. Beasley, reprezentant avstralske vlade, je na konferenci mednarodnega delavskega urada, ki se vrši v tem mestu, predlagal ustanovitev mednarodnega delavskega odbora, ki naj bi sprejel zaključke in določil smernice, po katerih se naj bi ravnavale vse v uradu včlanjene države.

Beasley je v svojem govoru sugeriral, naj bi v področje mednarodnega delavskega odbora spadalo reševanje problemov, nanašajočih se na uposlitev delavcev v povojni dobi.

Robert J. Watt, ameriški delavski delegat, je pobijal predlog. Njegov argument je bil, da bi ustanovitev odbora rezultirala v likvidaciji mednarodnega delavskega urada. On se je izrekel za akcijo o ekonomskih smernicah brez diskuzije političnih in socialnih problemov.

"Mi, ki smo se zbrali na tej konferenci, bi se morali v prvi vrsti truditi v naporih za odstranitev ekonomskih ovir," je rekel Watt. "Naša naloga ni odstranjevanje političnih ovir."

Nemški zemljevid vzhodne Evrope

Koncesije Rumuniji in Poljski

Bern, Švica, 25. apr.—Voelkischer Beobachter, organ nacistične stranke, je nedavno objavil zemljevid vzhodne Evrope, ki kaže velike kose ruskega in ogrskega ozemlja, katera dobita Rumunija in Poljska, če bosta pomagali Hitlerju v borbi proti ruskim armadam, ki se vate proti zapadu. Rumunija dobi levji delež. Njena meja na nemškem zemljevidu drži severno od Karpatkega gorovja do Černovic, potem severovzhodno do Kamenec-Podolska in od tam do severne krivine reke Dnjester. Nato se meja zaokrene do reke Bug na južni strani Vinice in gre ob reki do njenega ustja pri Nikolajevu.

Zapadna meja Poljske gre ob rumunski do Kamenec-Podolska, potem se obrne od Proskorova in Tarnopola do reke Bug in gre do Brest-Litovska ter vključuje velik kos sovjetske Ukrajine. Na podlagi nacističnega načrta bi postali Rumunija in Poljska dve mogočni državi v centralni Evropi. Kot taki bi spet tvorili sanitetski kordon in zid proti takozvani "rdeči nevarnosti".

Objava takega zemljevida v drugem času in okoliščinah bi lahko ustvarila mnenje, da so naciji sklenili tajno pogodbo z Rumunijo in Poljsko z namenom, da dobe večjo pomoč z njune strani v borbi proti ruskim invaderjem. Danes noben resen človek ne smatra tega za resno stvar. To je le nadaljnji dokaz o pomanjkljivosti nacistične propagande.

Poskusi za končanje stavke se izjalovili

Windsor, Ont., Kanada, 25. apr.—Poskusi za končanje stavke, katero je oklicala unija združenih avtnih delavcev CIO v tovarnah Ford Motor Co., so se izjalovili. Kompanija se je izreкла za pogajanja glede sklenitve nove pogodbe, unija pa je izjavila, da se stavkarji ne bodo vrnili na delo, dokler ne bo vzpostavljen stari dogovor, sklenjen v januarju l. 1942.

Stavkarji apelirajo na Roosevelta

Chicago, 25. apr.—Čez dva tisoč članov jeklarske unije CIO, ki so zastavkali proti Pullman-Standard Car Manufacturing Co. v Hammondu, je poslalo telegram predsedniku Rooseveltu z apelom, naj poseže v konflikt. Stavka je bila oklicana v znak protesta proti kompaniji, ki noče podpisati pogodbe z unijo. Vojni delavski odbor je odredil, da se morajo stavkarji takoj vrniti na delo.

UNIJA CIO ODGLASOVALA ZA PREKLIC STAVKE

Montgomery Ward & Co. ni pojasnila stališča

STAVKARJI ZAHTEVAJO PLAČO

Chicago, 25. apr.—Krajevna unija United Retail, Wholesale & Department Store Employees, včlanjena v Kongresu industrijskih organizacij, je preklicala stavko proti Montgomery Ward & Co., ki je izbruhnila 12. aprila, v soglasju z odredbo predsednika Roosevelta. Kompanija še ni pojasnila svojega stališča napram odredbi, ki določa začasno podaljšanje pogodbe med njo in unijo.

Roosevelt je zadnjo nedeljo poslal telegram uniji in kompaniji. V tem je pozval stavkarje, naj se takoj vrnejo na delo, kompanijo pa je opozoril, da se mora pokoriti odloku vojnega delavskega odbora, da pogodba ostane v veljavi, dokler delavci pri volitvah ne odločijo, ali ima unija večino ali ne. Kompanija trdi, da unija nima večine in iz tega razloga ni hotela podpisati pogodbe, katera naj bi nadomestila ono, katere veljavnost je potekla v decembru preteklega leta. Roosevelt je naglasil v telegramu, da bo odredil primerne korake, kakršne zahtevajo narodni interesi, če se unija in kompanija ne bosta pobotali.

Stavka je bila preklicana na shodu članov unije, ki se je vršil v hotelu Hamiltonu. Govorniki so naglašali, da je Rooseveltova odredba zmaga za unijo. Leonard Levy, podpredsednik mednarodne unije, je dejal, da je odredba udarec kompaniji. "Sewell L. Avery, načelnik odbora direktorjev, je v zagati," je rekel Levy. "Ako bo ignoriral Rooseveltovo odredbo, bo vlada prevzela kompanijo."

Francis Heisler, odvetnik unije, je rekel, da ne vidi nobenega razloga za razpis volitev, da si unija ne bo vodila opozicije. Če bodo odredene, bo ponovno dokazala, da reprezentira večino delavcev. On je dalje rekel, da bodo delavci zahtevali plačo za ves čas stavke, okrog \$25,000 na dan. Do plače so upravičeni, ker je kompanija provocirala stavko, ko se je uprila odloku vojnega delavskega odbora, da mora podaljšati veljavnost pogodbe.

Poslanci za ustanovitev židovske armade

London, 25. apr.—Čez 50 poslancev je podpisalo peticojo za ustanovitev separatne židovske armade pod britskim ali zavezniškim poveljstvom. To naj bi tvorili prostovoljci, ki zdaj niso podvrženi obvezni vojaški službi. Voditelji židovskih organizacij vodijo kampanjo za ustanovitev separatne židovske armade.

Norveški poslanik odpotoval v London

Washington, D. C., 25. apr.—Wilhelm Morgenstern, norveški poslanik v Washingtonu, je odpotoval v London, kjer bo konferiral s člani ubežne holandske vlade. V Londonu bo ostal več tednov.

Poljsko sodišče obsodilo dezertarje

London, 25. aprila.—Poljsko vojaško sodišče je obsodilo 30 židovskih vojakov, ki so dezertirali iz poljske armade, v zapor od enega do treh let. Dezertarji so trdili, da so jih poljski vojaki zaničevali in zapostavljali.

Domače vesti

FRANK SOMRAK

Cleveland, O. — V pondeljek zjutraj, 24. aprila, je nagloma umrl Frank Somrak, bivši član gl. odbora SNPJ, predsednik gospodarskega oseka in prvi podpredsednik SNPJ, kakor tudi predsednik bivše SSPZ in Slovenskega narodnega doma v Clevelandu. Bil je star 57 let in rojen v Veliki Lipanji pri Turjaku. Skozi dolga leta se je udeleževal na društvenem in narodnem polju. Bil je član društva 5 SNPJ. Zadnja leta je vodil gasilniško postajo. Zapuščica družino. (Uredništvo Prosvete in člani izvršnega oseka SNPJ izrekajo sorodnikom globoko sožalje.)

Obiski

Chicago. — Gl. urad SNPJ in uredništvo Prosvete so obiskali dr. William Zakrjavec iz Buffalo, N. Y., in Mary Brula, Green Bay, Wis., v spremstvu Katherine Bockman iz Chicago.

Šubelj poje v operi

Chicago. — Anton Šubelj, član Metropolitanke opere, bo nastopil v vlogi Sargenta v zaključni operi "La Boheme" v tretjem dejanju v soboto popoldne, 29. aprila, katera bo oddajana po radiu WLS. Prične se ob 1:30 popoldne (čikaški čas). Šubelj je član eksekutivnega odbora Ameriškega gilda glasbenih umetnikov, čigar predsednik je slavni baritonist Lawrence Tibbett.

Neuroča pri delu

Dragerton, Utah. — Pri delu v rudniku se je težko poškodoval Steve Zele, član društva 296 SNPJ. Sam je prišel iz Colorada. Nahaja se v bolnišnici in člani, katerim je mogoče, naj ga obiščejo.

Nov grob v New Yorku

New York. — V bolnišnici St. Vincent je umrl za pljučnico John Hribar, star 45 let in doma iz Domžal; odkoder je prišel s svojimi starši v New York v zgodnji mladosti. Tu zapuščena, eno hčerko, mater in pet sester.

Nova italijanska vlada zaprisežena

Nasprotniki monarhije v kabinetu

Neapel, Italija, 25. apr.—Člani nove italijanske vlade, katero je formaliziral premier Badoglio, so bili včeraj zapriseženi. To tvorijo reprezentanti šestih protifašističnih strank, med katerimi so nekateri odločni nasprotniki monarhije.

Kralj je sojalnost domovini in prisrčno Viktorju Emanuelu s pridržki. Prej so se zedinili o formuli, ki pravi, da se niso odpovedali načelom strank, katere reprezentirajo.

Kralj je sprejel nove ministre v neki palači. Preden so položili prisego, jim je Badoglio prečital izjavo, da lahko ostanejo lojalni političnim principom. Vsi ministri so nato podpisali prisego kralju in domovini.

Podmornica potopila turški parnik

Ankara, Turčija, 25. apr.—Zunanji minister Numan Menemencioğlu je naznanil, da skuša Turčija dognati identiteto podmornice, ki je zadnji teden napadla in potopila turški parnik Krom v turških teritorialnih vodah. Poslala bo oster protest državi po ugotovitvi identitete podmornice. Minister je dejal, da je bil napad na parnik kršenje mednarodnega prava. Parnik Krom je bil potopljen v bližini otoka Marmaleasa. Pet bližnjih posadke je utonilo, ostali pa so se rešili.

Maršal Tito apelira na rudarje

Sabotirajo naj pošiljanje kroma v Nemčijo

London, 25. apr.—Maršal Tito, poveljnik jugoslovanske osvobodilne armade, se je pridružil zavezniški kampanji, katere cilj je zadušitev nemške vojne industrije, z apelom na rudarje in železničarje, naj sabotirajo pošiljanje kroma v Nemčijo, katerega potrebuje pri izdelovanju orožja.

Istočasno je Tito dal razumeti zaveznikom in sovražnikom, da je za raztegitev jugoslovanskih mej v povojni dobi. Slovenski del Koroške, ki je spadal pod Avstrijo, mora priti v okvir Jugoslavije.

Glavni stan osvobodilne armade omenja nemške poskuse v Srbiji glede obnove obrata v rudnikih pri Petničku, ki pa so se izjalovili. Nemške čete, ki so prodirale proti tem rudnikom, so bile vržene nazaj v bitkah s partizani.

Amerika pretrga odnošaje s Finsko?

Bojazen pred ruskimi sunki

Washington, D. C., 25. apr.—Poročilo iz Stockholma, Švedska, citira izjavo ameriškega poslanstva v Helsinku, da je bila finska vlada informirana, da bo pretrgala diplomatske odnošaje s njo, ker je odbila sovjetske pogoje glede umika iz vojne in sklenitve miru z Rusijo. Predstavniki ameriškega državnega departamenta ni hotel komentirati poročila.

Stockholm, Švedska, 25. apr.—Vest iz Helsinku izraža bojazen pred ruskimi sunki proti južnemu finskemu obrežju. Pričakuje se, da bodo kmalu odredeni.

Finska, ki je zavrnila ruske pogoje za sklenitev miru, se zaveda preteče nevarnosti. Zunanji opazovalci v Stockholmu so edini v tem, da je Finska storila veliko napako z odločitvijo, da ostane na strani nacije Nemčije v vojni proti Rusiji. Moskva ji je dala priložnost za umik iz vojne in pretrganje zveze z nacijo, katere pa ni izrabila v svojo korist. Zdaj bo morala prevzeti odgovornost za vse, kar pride.

Nadaljnji uradniki rudarskega distrikta odstopili

Springfield, Ill., 25. apr.—Ray Edmondson, predsednik rudarskega distrikta UMWA, je naznanil, da je nadaljnjih 44 uradnikov tega distrikta resigniralo. Med temi je Hugh White, podpredsednik distrikta. Edmondson je nedavno naznanil, da bo pustil predsedništvo 15. maja.

Poplave povzročile veliko škodo

Chicago, 25. apr.—Poplave so povzročile veliko škodo v Illinoisu, Indiani, Iowi, Missouriju in Kansasu. Reke in potoki so prestopili bregove zaradi deževnih nalivov. Najmanj osem ljudi je izgubilo življenje.

Rumunija poslala protest turški vladi

Bern, Švica, 25. apr.—Rumunija je poslala protest turški vladi, ker je zadržala dva rumunska parnika v Istanbulu. Parnika sta imela odrediti proti Sevastopolu na Krimu, kjer je v teku evakuacija nemških in rumunskih čet.

PARLAMENT ODOBRILO CHURCHILLOVO POLITIKO

Velika Britanija mora obdržati svoj imperij

KONFERENCA REPREZENTANTOV DOMINIONOV

London, 25. apr.—Govorniki, zastopajoči levo in desno krilo v parlamentu, so odobrili politiko Churchillove vlade, ki je ohranitev britanskega imperija. To je Churchill označil pred dvema letoma v izjavi, "da ne bom predsedoval likvidaciji britanskega imperija in kar imamo, bomo tudi držali."

Laborit Emanuel Shinwell, ki večkrat kritizira vladjo, je bil deležen viharnega aplavza, ko je dejal, da se popolnoma strinja s Churchillovo politikjo.

"Naš namen ni razkosanje britanskega imperija, da bi s tem ugodili želji odlomka ameriškega tiska, ali kateri koli drugi grupi," je rekel Shinwell. "V Ameriki so ljudje, ki agitirajo za razkosanje imperija iz sebičnih razlogov. Tem lahko povemo, da Velika Britanija ne bo igrala podrejene vloge v svojo lastno škodo."

Shinwell je opozarjal na nevarnost, da Velika Britanija lahko postane sila četrte vrste, če ne bo podvelja potrebnih korakov. Nekateri napovedujejo, da bo Kanada postala dominantna sila v prihodnjih 30 letih. Priključitev takih korakov pride na konferenci reprezentantov dominionov britanskega imperija, ki se bo vršila v Londonu.

"Bila bi slaba tolažba," je rekel Shinwell, "če bi povedali našim prijateljem v Avstraliji in Novi Zelandiji, da se ne bodo brigali za nje po porazu sovražnika v Evropi. Iz tega razloga moramo storiti korake v interesu zaščite obeh dominionov po zaključku vojne."

Konservativec Alfred Beit je dejal, da se popolnoma strinja s stališčem Shinwella. Velika Britanija naj pove vsemu svetu, da ne bo vazal nobene države. "Ako nam kdo očita, da zahtevamo nekaj, kar nam ne spada, mu lahko povemo, da se je Velika Britanija borila sama proti Nemčiji, preden so bile druge države poglane v vojno, in da je vzdržala v tej borbi," je dejal.

Kongresnik Ford okrcal svoje kolege

Los Angeles, Cal., 25. apr.—Demokratski kongresnik Ford je dejal, da so njegovi kolegi v kongresu najzabitejši ljudje izmed vseh, s katerimi je že kdaj imel opravka. "Ali se more sploh kdo čuditi, ker nočem biti več kandidat za kongresnika?" je vprašal. "Ne bi se brigal, če bi bil član manjšine in se kot tak boril proti večini, toda zdi se mi bedasto, ker manjšina kontrolira kongres s pomočjo zabutih demokratov. To je zame preveč." Ford je že dvajset let član kongresa in v tem času je vedno stal na strani Rooseveltove administracije in jo podpiral.

Amerika bo imela sto letalonošev

Washington, D. C., 25. apr.—Podadmiral Dewitt C. Ramsey, šef mornaričnega biroja za letalstvo, je dejal, da bo Amerika imela sto letalonošev do konca tega leta. Letalonošci igrajo važno vlogo v vojnih operacijah proti Japoncem na Pacifiku.

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Važno naznanilo—Konvencija SANSa

Na seji SANSovega izvršnega odbora, ki se je vršila v Chicagu dne 12. aprila, je bilo soglasno zaključeno, da se v prvi polovici julija vrši redno zborovanje ali konvencija Slovenskega ameriškega narodnega sveta. Natančni datum in prostor bo določil upravni urad potem, ko bo izdelan popoln načrt za reprezentacijo SANSovih podružnic in na kongresu izvoljenih odbornikov. Zastopstvo imajo v glavnem tvoriti podružnice po svojih delegatih, ki so pripomogle zgraditi naš svet in ki so gmotno in moralno podprle njegovo delo. Upravni urad ima nalogo izdelati načrt za podlago zastopstva v smislu tega pravca.

Vse SANSove podružnice so naprosene, da kooperirajo z upravnim uradom pri izdelavi tega načrta s tem, da točno in pravilno izpolnijo vprašalno pole, ki bodo v par dneh oddane na podružnične tajnike. Na podlagi prejetih informacij bo izdelan načrt in predložen celokupnemu izvršnemu odboru v odobritev. Namen izvršnega odbora je, da bodo naše podružnice reprezentirane na podlagi sledečih kvalifikacij: številni posamezniki članovi, številni podružnični pripadajočini in prispevajajoči društva in prispevana vsota.

SANSove podružnice sestajajo in poslujejo na raznovrstne načine. Nekatere podružnice se stoje iz posameznih članov, druge iz posameznih članov in društev, tretje samo iz prispevajajočih društev, četrte iz podružnic, ki podpirajo gibanje le s prostovoljnimi prispevki od rojakov ali s prispevki od raznih zabavnih prireditev. Imamo tudi podružnice, ki v finančnem prispevanju niso veliko pripomogle ali celo ničesar. Logično je torej da zastopstvo na konvenciji za vse te podružnice ne mora biti enako. Upravičeno se mora fiktivno delo. To je SANS! O njegovi bodočnosti naj torej razpolagajo in odločajo oni, ki so ga zgradili.

Tajniki! Kadar prejmete vprašalno pole iz SANSovega urada izpolnite jih čim preje in navedite vse informacije, da nam bomo mogli čim pravičnejše rešiti vprašanje o upravičenosti šteti delegatov vsake podružnice. Izvršni odbor je tudi zaključil, da bo SANS plačal iz centralne blagajne le dnevnice delegatom. Za vozne stroške bo morala skrbeti podružnica. Iz tega razloga naj podružnice skušajo ojačiti svoje blagajne v ta namen. Bodočnost SANSa je v rokah njegovih podružnic in članstva. Ti tvorijo njegovo telo in življenje. Slovenski narodni kongres mu je ustvaril le bistvo za tvorbo telesa in mu določil glavo, ki ima nalogo to telo zgraditi in ga voditi v smislu sprejetih resolucij. Naloga konvencije bo v glavnem preoditi izvršeno delo, od ločiti o temeljnih vprašanjih, ki se nanašajo na pravilno tolmačenje in razumevanje kongresnih resolucij in izvoliti odbor, ki bo vodil nadaljnje posle najvažnejšega slovenskega političnega gibanja v Ameriki.

Važnosti bodoče konvencije torej ne moremo samo površno poudarjati. Njen uspeh ali neuspeh je odvisen od zanimanja ki mu ga bodo posvetili SANSovi člani in krajevne podružnice.

Boj proti SANSu

Propaganda, da se SANS ugnobi, je v polnem razmahu. Vodijo jo ljudje, ki se ne samo ne strinjajo (in se nikoli niso strinjali) s praviim namenom našega programa, temveč so ves ta čas skušali SANS zlorabiti v svoje sebične politične namene. Intrigirali so na vse načine in neprenehoma zanašali razdor med nas. Ker niso mogli pridobiti SANSovega vodstva na svojo stran so obrnili pozornost na posamezne člane in organizacije, ki jih v SANSu zastopajo. In tako so deloma dosegli, da je vodstvo moralo posvetiti več časa in svoje energije problemu kako ohraniti skupnost in ednost v SANSu, kakor pa rešitvi problemov našega naroda v sta-

ri domovini, za kar je bil ustanovljen.

Opozicija je mislila, da so naše kongresne resolucije le prazne fraze, katere bodo pozabljene čim se navdušenje zanje ohladi. Mislili so, da NOVA Slovenija pomeni Slovenijo pod političnim vodstvom STARIH takozvanih "predstavnikov naroda"; dalje, da NOVA, DEMOKRATIČNA Jugoslavija pomeni STARO, pomandrano Jugoslavijo, kateri bodo STARI POLITIKASI v Ljubljani in njihova pobratimska čaršija v Belgradu podelili DEMOKRACIJO; da Zedinjena Slovenija pomeni večji delokrog za korumpirano avtokracijo vodilne politične stranke. Skratka: po končani vojni se naj bi stari narodni voditelji Z NAŠO POMOČJO povrnili na prejšnja sedla in v dosegu tega bi jih podprli zavezniški bajoneti, če bi jih narod doma ne sprejel z odprtimi rokami.

Toda SANS si tolmači NOVO Slovenijo in NOVO Jugoslavijo za isti način, kot si jo tolmači in jo razumeva narod doma. SANS se res poteguje za NOVI RED v Sloveniji! In tega se stari garda BOJI! Njeni agenti se poslužujejo vseh nakan, da bi SANS oslabil in ga diskreditirali med našim narodom v Ameriki. Poslužujejo se iste taktike, ki jo je Hitler tako uspešno rabil med zbeganimi narodi v Evropi: "Divide et impera." Razdvoji jih, naščuj jih enega proti drugemu, pa jih boš obvladal!

To je strategija, katere se poslužujejo pobegli politični vodje slovenskega naroda in njihovi agenti, ki se v Ameriki skrivajo tudi pod firmo Zveze slovenskih župnij. Ravno tega si Hitler želi. Ker je SANS konstitutaril resnico in razgalil pred javnostjo zdajšnja početja nekaterih nekdanjih uglednih mož slovenskega naroda, in ker je bilo nemogoče izogniti se dejstvu, da je na Rupnikovo ustoličenje bil povabljen in je prisostvoval tudi ljubljanski škof, so ravno ti razdirajoči elementi zarjuli: SANS napada cerkev!

SANS ni napadel nikogar. SANS je objavil fakto. Povzeti so bili iz ljubljanskega časopisa, ti je pod cenzuro in vplivom domačih izdajalcev. Za komentarje drugih, neuradnih krogov, SANS ne nosi odgovornosti. Razna očitanja in napadi in izjave p. Ambrožiča so gola izmišljotina in SANS jih odločno odlanja. Niti ne bo SANS nikomur dal zaželjenega zadoščanja, la bi se podajal v polemiko z ljudmi, ki zavijajo fakto in se oigravajo z resnico. SANSov izvršni tajnik ravno tako ne bo nasedel izzivalnim napadom na njegovo lastno osebo in odgovarjal na osebne naskoke. Njegov odgovor na provokacije je: zavijalna laž!

Na SANSovi seji je bil tudi nepovabljen gost v osebi p. B. Ambrožiča, ki je kot tajnik Zveze slovenskih župnij zaprosil za "stop in prisostvovanje". Odbor mu je to dovolil, kakor tudi bevedo. Navzoč je bil ves čas odmovaljanja, ki je trajalo brez odmorov od 10. zjutraj do 5 popoldne. Seje so se udeležili vsi člani eksekutive, izvemši Johna E. Lokarja.

Namen p. Ambrožiča je bil, prepričati SANS, da se je izneveril kongresnim resolucijam; da odstopi od Zdrženega odbora (jugoslovanskih Amerikancev in mu umakne vsako nadaljnjo podporo; da je SANSov izvršni tajnik objavil vest o Rupniku in komentral brez dovoljenja izvršnega odbora ter tako razglasil "grehe slovenskega naroda"; da SANS objavlja izjave Louisa Adamiča brez navedenja virov ali dognanja pravilnosti ter da Osvobodilna fronta ne predstavlja večine slovenskega naroda, ampak da se za njo skriva le "komunistična stranka Slovenije," katera se baje skuša zločinskiim potom polastiti kontrole nad celim narodom.

Ital je tudi izjave treh političnih strank Slovenije, slovenske ljudske, liberalne in socialistične stranke, o stanju v domovini, naslovljene kralju Petru in njegovi vladi, toda brez vsakega

podpisa. Če bi podpisali bili objavljene, bi dotičnim pretela smrtina nevarnost. Ko je seja bila že zaključena, je tudi razdelil mimeografrano izjavo in protest Zveze slovenskih župnij proti SANSu, v katerem je glavna tarča izvršni tajnik Kuhel. Odsel je, predno je kdo imel priliko to denunciacijo prečitati.

O predmetni zadevi je prečital svojo izjavo tudi blagajnik Zalar, ki je poleg drugega zahteval, da SANS takoj izvoli rev. Vodučka za tajnika. Vršila se je žirna razprava, v kateri se je odločno odklanjalo vsako očitnanje in napadanje, da se SANS ne drži kongresnih resolucij itd., kakor tudi izvajanje brata Zalarja. Glede tajnika je bilo pojasnjeno, da izvršni odbor nima pravice izvoliti tajnika izven članov eksekutive in če konvencija tako želi, lahko ona izvoli rev. Vodučka za tajnika. Do konvencije je itak samo dva meseca. Boja proti SANSu pa tudi Vodučkova izvolitev ne bi ustavila. Naši nasprotniki so bili in bodo idejno vedro protiprogramu, ki bi odvezl vodilno mesto reakciji in prepustil pravico samoodločevanja narodu samemu. Bojijo se socialnih in ekonomskih reform.

Predlog, da se predsedniku in izvršnemu tajniku izreče zaupnica za politično delo, je bil sprejet z vsemi proti enemu glasom. Za izjavo brata Zalarja, da SANS ni to, kar bi moral biti in da se njegovo delo ne vrši v smislu resolucij, je prejel samo dva glasova. Glasovanje o omejitvi dveh predlogih znači, da je izvršni odbor z veliko večino zavrnil zahtevo in obtožbo tajnika Zveze slovenskih župnij. —Podrobnosti bodo objavljene v zapisniku te seje.

Frank Kosić, predsednik.

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Pesnitev "V pepelnici noči"

je umotvor Simona Gregorčiča, narodovega ljubljence, kateri ti da veliko misliti, da ti kar sapa jemlje, če hočeš razglabljeti o smislu in pomenu njegovih besed. Tekom študiranja tega dela prideš do prepričanja, da imajo veliki pisatelji in pesniki predvide v ozir na narodove in svetovne dogodke. Gregorčič je že pred 70 leti spoznal, kaj je bila narodova težnja. To jim je tudi povedal v poeziji. Zato ga je ljudstvo menda tako vzljubilo, ker podzavestno je v njem spoznalo svojega pravega in iskrenega prijatelja. One, katere zasovražili že naši predniki in katere mi danes sovražimo, je zaznamoval s sledečimi besedami:

Oj, grešniki mamljeni, proč krono in kraljati! Saj boste vsi prikleni, vkloniti smrti vrati. Sedaj vi narodom ste strah, strah tudi vas bo smel; To izleto prah, prestol bo prah, vi boste prah, pepelj. Vi, ki zaklade zbirate iz bližnjikov krvi, ki reveže satirate, prah boste tudi vi!

Ali niso to iste besede, katerih so danes polne kolkone vseh slovenskih časopisov? Že Gregorčič je ožigal te krvose. Ako bi bil danes živ, bi gotovo stal v partizanskih vrstah Osvobodilne fronte, kajti goriški ali primorski Slovencec se ne iznevi svojemu narodu, kadar ga ta duševno potrebuje. S takim koj je France Bevč bi vodila svoje rojake v svobodno življenje. Ko preprosto ljudstvo spozna, da ima prijatelja in zaveznika v svojem duhovnem pastirju, se ga oklene s toliko večjo silo in zaupanjem. Tako je postal tudi g. Vital Vodusek priljubljen pri ameriških Slovencih. On jim sicer ne piše pesmi, marveč jih opaja z živo besedo. Takih Gregorčičev in Vodusekov je manjkalo v vseh delih Gregorčič je že pred 70 leti zbral svoje ljudstvo za izvoljeni narod, ker v tej lepi poeziji dalje govori:

In nove trume v bojni hram se vspljejo Na teh ni srebra ne zlata, in blek tim je neznan, in leht tolnih se pozna le sled solza in ran. To mac le siromakov rod, mrtice je — unaj stal, in murno čakal da gospod Pstora bi mu dal. Sedaj, ko prost mu je pristop, korak približa svoj, jeteo spoznam trpinov trop, ch bil je — narod moj! Odloži sem tedaj pepel, v kječeje uprl oko, in blagoslov sem roke vzpel, in klenil sem krepko: Le vsilani, borani narod moj, do danes v srh leptan, Ppelnici dan ni dan več tvoje, tvoje je vsajenja dan!

Da! Naš narod — potrebuje pokore, temveč vstajenja! To naj zastuje o tem, ker povrniti se moram k matičnemu koncertu. Poleg kantate, ki bo obsegala prvi del programa, bodo podani še izvlečki iz svetovnih oper kot: Faust, Carmen, Bohemian Girl, Marta, Il Travatore in druge. Naj bo ta dan res dan slovenske in tuje pesmi, saj pesem ne bi smela poznati narodnostnih predsodkov. Pesem in umetnost bi morala utirati pot do prijateljstva in sodelovanja med narodi.

Glasbena matica bo poskušala podati koncert kot je pač mogoče v vojnih razmerah z malim številom moških moči. Zato bodite z oceno milostni. Če ste pevec, se pridružite zboru in zaveda bo rešena.

Upamo, da nas bo v nedeljo obiskal tudi naš dirigent in pevec g. Anton Šubelj, ki je sedaj na turi v Chicagu. Da ne boste pozni, g. Šubelj, ker koncert se prične točno ob 8. uri zvečer in gotovi smo, da želite slišati v prvi vrsti kantato.

Na gotovo svidenje v nedeljo zvečer v Slovenskem narodnem domu. Za publicijski odbor, A. Simičič.

Prvčmajsa veselica Springfield, Ill. — Veselica Slovenskega delavskega doma, katere se je vršila 15. aprila, je nepričakovano dobro izpadla, akoravno ni bila udeležba tako ogromna kot v preteklosti na mnogih veselicah in drugih prireditvah. Da udeležba ni bila obilnejša, je krivdo pripisati slabemu vremenu, ki je brez dvoma zadržalo mnogo občinstva, katero vedno poseti naše veselice in prireditve. Toda kot je povedano, smo vzlic temu finančno dobro uspeli, zakar gre priznanje vsem udeležencem. Odbor Slovenskega delavskega doma izreka zahvalo vsem, kateri so posetili to veselico.

Kot je bilo že poročano, se bo druga veselica vršila dne 30. aprila, pričetak ob 8. uri popoldne v prostorih Slovenskega delavskega doma. To veselico priredi klub št. 47 JSZ in Prosvetne Matice kot praznovanje Prvega maja. Ker ni mogoče vsled obstoječih razmer kaj boljšega izvesti, oziroma prirediti primeren program, se bo vsled tega vršila običajna plesna veselica, na katero bo prosta vstopnina.

Akoravno se bo vršila samo običajna veselica, vseno se nam bodo obudili spomini iz preteklosti o praznovanju resničnega delavskega praznika Prvega maja. Somišljeniki in simpatičarji delavskega gibanja se uljudno vabijo na udeležbo te veselice, ker privedo sličnega pomena je mogoče prirediti le enkrat vsako leto. Torej kdor ima v sebi čut za pravo stvar, naj se pridruži temu programu, da se vsled tega vršila običajna plesna veselica, na katero bo prosta vstopnina.

Zahvala Prešerna Chicago.

Hvala vam! Vsem posetnikom jubilejnega koncerta zbora Prešeren, ki je sijajno uspel v moralnem in gnotnem oziru. Pokazali ste, da se zimate za slovensko petje in dramo. Upam, da vam ni žal tega poseta. Hvala tudi vsem diletantom, ki so nastopili na programu ter izvrstno izvršili vsak svojo nalogo, za kar so želi burne aplavze od posetnikov. Pomogli so zboru, da smo tako bolj dostojno proslavili petnajstletnico zborovega obstanka. Hvala tudi vsem delavcem, ki so radevolje pomagali na različnih delih med programom in po programu, ker zboru bi bilo nemogoče vsem postreči brez teh moči. Za uspešno priredbo ni dovolj samo zbor sam. Treba je raznih talentov za raznoličen program, treba je raznih delavcev in delavk od začetka do konca zabave, treba je posetnikov. Zbor Prešeren je imel vse to, več ali manj vsa ta leta, radi tega je uspešno praznoval ta jubilej in upa, da bomo šli tako naprej tudi v bodoče. Dasi je transportacija otežkočena, vendar portacija otežkočena, vendar smo imeli posetnike, poleg Chicago in sosednjih naselbin, tudi

iz Kansas Cityja, Kansas, iz Milwaukeeja, iz Michigana in drugod. Da, mnogi se potrudijo, da pridejo na stotine milj — gotovo jih žene ljubav slovenske pesmi, da pridejo tako daleč. Hvala jim za njih trud in zanimanje za to kulturno ustanovo.

Zbor je imel čast predstaviti dva zborova člana, ki služita Strica Sama ter sta se mudila na dopustu za časa koncerta. To sta Charles Hegyi, P. M. prvega reda (Pattern maker 1st class), ki služi pri mornarici v Norfolk, Va., ter se je čez dva dni po koncertu vrnil nazaj v službo; zbor mu želi skorajšen povratek. Drugi je štabni narednik Milan Renar, ki služi pri letalskem oddelku. St. S. Milan Renar je prišel na zaslužni dopust s pacifiških otokov, kjer se je udeležil 42 letalskih napadov in spopadov z Japonci ter bil za to hrabrostne čine večkrat odlikovan — tako, da ima že polne prsi križev, zvezd in kolajn. Družina Ch. Renar je ponosna nanj, kakor tudi pevski zbor Prešeren ter njegovi znanci in prijatelji. Milan se vrne v službo prihodnje nedelje, 30. aprila. Zbor Prešeren mu želi srečno pot ter skorajšen srečen povratek k dragim domačim in k Prešernu.

Upam in želim, da bi imeli več naših članov na obisku, ali še boljše, oproščenih, ko bomo imeli prihodnji koncert enkrat v jeseni — datum bo pravočasno označen. Želeč vam zdravo poletje ter se priporočam za poset prihodnje jeseni. Še enkrat hvala vam!

Predsednik zbora I. Seja, proslava, shod

Walsenburg, Colo.

Po precejšnjem času bo zopet seja naše federacije društev SNPJ v Coloradu in Novi Mehiki. Federacijski odbor je sklenil, da se vrši seja v nedeljo, 7. maja v Slovenskem narodnem domu v Pueblu, pričetak točno ob dveh popoldne.

Da bo seja zanimiva, se razume samo ob sebi. Po seji pa bomo proslavili 40-letnico jednote s programom in predvajanjem slik iz stare domovine. Da bo program dober, ni treba posebej poudarjati, kajti Pubečlani pripravijo vedno kaj zanimivega.

Torej prosim vsa društva SNPJ v Coloradu in Novi Mehiki, da pošljete svoje zastopnike na to seja. Čim več nas bo, tem lažje bomo storili kaj dobrega za našo organizacijo. Rad bi videl zastopnike iz Canon Cityja, Colorada Springsa, Florenca in Denverja, pa tudi Raton, New Mexico, naj se zdrami. Veste, vsaj skupaj moramo biti napredni, ne pa drugi za nas. Torej se vidimo na seji federacije.

Naznanjam tudi članstvu SNPJ in ABZ v Walsenburgu in okolici, kakor tudi ostalim Slovincem, da se v nedeljo, 14. maja pri nas vrši javni shod in seja SANSOVE podružnice št. 83. Vrši se v Markovski dvorani na Sedmi cepti, pričetak točno ob treh popoldne.

Zato v imenu odbora prosim vse rojake in rojakinje, ki jim je pri srcu naša lepa Slovenija, da pridete skupaj. Slišali boste razna poročila, obenem moramo pa tudi pomagati, da se obdrži slovenski jezik. Saj vemo, kako jih sovražnik tepe v starem kraju in zatira. Obenem moramo določiti tudi datum in čas za seje, tako da bo za vse prikladno, da se bomo lahko vsi udeležili. Obenem moramo določiti tudi datum in čas za seje, tako da bo za vse prikladno, da se bomo lahko vsi udeležili. Rad bi videl, da bi se tudi ženske prebudile. Torej na svidenje na SANSovi seji 14. maja.

Ed Tomšič.

Ob 40-letnici jednote So. Chicago, Ill.

Narava se je prebudila iz zimskega spanja in se veselil sončnih žarkov. Tako se tudi naša slavna Slovenska narodna podpora jednote raduje svoje 40-letnice. Torej pred 40 leti se je rodilo dete. Življenje so mu dali naši pionirji, ki so dete s krbo prevajali in tako gredo lepo v paradi v cerkev k službi božji. — "S sabljami?" ga vprašam. — "Da, s sabljami." — "Rad bi vedel, kaj uganjate s sabljami po cerkvi?" — Prišel je čas, ko sem se poslovil rojakov v Lorainu. Prišel sem v metropolo sv. Alojzija in kmalu dobil delo, ali žal, kompanije so začele zapirati tovarne radi krize. Vedel sem, da z

ustanovili SNPJ. Ona je za nas velikega pomena. Lahko smo veselili, čeprav smo v vojni. Sodelovati moramo skupno in kooperirati se bolj. Ko pridejo nekoga dne naši bratje-vojaki z bojnega polja med nas, da ne bodo rekli, da nismo bili napredni.

Torej veselimo se v tem jubilejnem letu in vsak član in članica naj se potruži za enega novega kandidata in naj ga pripelje v jednoto. To bo naše najlepše darilo SNPJ ob njeni 40-letnici. Torej naprej še za večjo SNPJ!

Tudi naše društvo Delavec št. 8 praznuje svojo 40-letnico. Slavnost se vrši v nedeljo, 30. aprila v Hrvaškem domu na Commercial ave. Pridite na to proslavo in videli boste slike iz stare domovine, kjer nam je tekla zibelka. To bo nekaj zanimivega, na programu pa bodo tudi druge zanimive točke.

Društvo Delavec bo veselo velike udeležbe in jo tudi zasluži.

Delavec je eno najstarejših društev v So. Chicagu in napredno v vseh ozirih. Dobro se spominjam vse njegove zgodovine, čeprav nisem bil med ustanovitelji, sem pa simpatiziral z njimi. Minilo pa je že 31 let, odkar sem član tega slavnega društva. Veliko sem delal in žrtvoval za Delavca in zmiraj mi je pri srcu, toda podrobnosti ne bom opisoval, ker vem, da bo obširnejše poročano na drugem mestu. Torej na veselo svidenje 30. aprila ob treh popoldne.

Frank Gorence, 8.

Vabilo na koncert Canton, O.

Iz naše naselbine se malokdo oglasi. Zato hočem poročati našim članom in sploh vsem Jugoslovanom, da priredi naš American Jugoslav Citizen klub svoj prvi koncert v nedeljo, 30. aprila v Grški dvorani na 10th st. in Ross N. E. Vstopnina samo 50c.

Apeliram na vse Slovence in vse Slovanke, da se udeležite te priredbe, pa tudi druge narodnosti so dobrodošle. Program se začne ob treh popoldne, ples pa ob sedmih zvečer. Govorniki bodo župan Lausche iz Clevelanda ali njegov namestnik, mrs. Gacinovich, dr. George D. Popoff, ki bo govoril o skupnosti Slovanov, in več drugih. Za ples bo igrala godba White Eagle.

Ker je dosti naših članov v tem klubu; udeležite se vsi, da pozabimo za nekaj ur skrb in žalost. Oddan bo tudi vojni bond za \$25. V imenu kluba ste vabljeni vsi ob blizu in daleč. Postrežba bo najboljša.

Josephine Odar, 315.

Nekaj iz pionirskih dni St. Louis, Mo.

Ob 40-letnici, katero praznuje SNPJ, in ob 35-letnici, katero bo praznovalo naše društvo v nedeljo, 30. aprila v Švicarski dvorani, mi uhaajo spomini in pionirske dni. Obe obletnici lepo brnita po ušesih starim in mladim članom jednote. Zares nekaj krasnega. Za nekaj dvojca na mesec se lepo zavarujete za slučaj bolezni, smrti in razne pokodbe. Če ti hiša pogori, se tudi lepo zatečeš k pravi materi, SNPJ in ne boš odšel s praznimi rokami. Je pribita resnica, da je ravno ona zbrala na milijone grenkih solz:

SNPJ je dobro poznana po vseh Združenih državah in Kanadi, v Južni Ameriki in Evropi, ker ona je največja slovenska institucija te vrste na svetu. K njej sem pristopil leta 1907, k društvu 17 v Lorainu, O. Brž ko so izvedeli člani KSKJ in JSKJ, so se takoj spravili name, češ, pristopiti si k brezverski jednoti, kjer nikoli ne molijo na društvenih sejah. Drugi se oglašajo, da ti "zlojdi se ne znajo" — Bog nas varuj te kuge! Za pet ran božjih, kam bomo pa prišli! Samo ti, fant, pogled, kako bo lepo videti naše katoliško društvo drugo nedeljo. Člani imajo svoje uniforme in sablje in tako gredo lepo v paradi v cerkev k službi božji. — "S sabljami?" ga vprašam. — "Da, s sabljami." — "Rad bi vedel, kaj uganjate s sabljami po cerkvi?" —

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ustanovitvi novega društva bo treba počakati, da se razmere spremenijo. Zopet mi je težka predla, kajti tukajšnji rojaki so že imeli dve društvi — KSKJ in JSKJ.

Neko nedeljo mi prijatelj prinese časopis A. S., v katerem čitam o strašni katastrofi v Cherryju, Ill., v kateri je okrog 400 rudarjev izgubilo svoje življenje, SNPJ pa vse člane tamkajšnjega društva.

To je bil prvi strašni udarec za mlado jednoto. Zopet me nahrujajo člani katoliških jednot: "Hej, ti narodnjak, sedaj bo pa odzvonilo tvoji jednoti za zmiraj. Kje neki bo dobila toliko denarja, da bo izplačala smrtnine vsem dedičem?" Po njihovem mnenju ni bilo v blagajni SNPJ drugega kot pajčevina, mišja gnezda in kače. Seveda, jednota je razpisala izredni assessment. Smelo rečem, da ga nisem še nikdar plačal z večjim veseljem kot takrat. Vse je šlo lepo kot zlata ura.

Prišel je čas, da grem na delo za dobro stvar. Vedel sem, da bom imel poteškoče, ali korajža vse ovire premaga. Doma sem imel že dva člana, ki nista spadala k nobenemu društvu. Oba sta delala in mi objubila, kadar dobim dovolj članov za ustanovitev društva, bosta tudi ona dva pristopila. Neko nedeljo jo uberem tja, kjer se je skupaj bečlalo pet rojakov. Trije so bili kraške korenine, eden nekje s Pivke in eden iz tržaške okolice. Ampak zopet smola, ker imenovani niso delali že dalj časa in tako ni bilo evenka v žepu radi strašne krize. Objubili so mi, da pristopijo, kadar se razmere izboljšajo.

Drugo nedeljo sem jo ubral v južni St. Louis v nadi, da bo mogoče več sreče. Stopim v hišo obče spoštovane Zorkove družine. Ko v kratkih besedah povem svojo misljo, sem takoj videl, da sem našel na gluha ušesa, čeprav so delali vsi Zorkovi "bordarji", in sicer največ po raznih pipovarnah. Edino en rojak se je odzval. Povabil me je na stran in vprašal, ako sam spadam k SNPJ in ako imam njena pravila. Odgovoril sem mu, da spadam k društvu št. 17 v Lorainu, O. Dobil sem nekaj pravil od gl. tajnika Keržeta, ki mu jih prinesem, ko sem drugič prišel naokrog. Ta rojak je bil sedanji gl. predsednik SNPJ. Kajne, Vincent, danes ne potrebuje več pravil, ker jih ima v glavi.

Za tem sem šel še večkrat v južni St. Louis, ako sem hotel videti tega ali onega rojaka, in bilo je treba iti tudi v salon. Kdor je delal ves dan, je bila že stara navada, da je šel zvečer v salon na kozarec piva. Povrh sem dobil tudi kako pikro pod nos in mnogokrat posegel tudi v lastni žep. Precej me je stal ta špas. Takrat so si katoliški rojaki nas predstavljali ne samo, da ne molimo na društvenih sejah, pač pa, da tudi premetavamo neke bogove na sejah.

Dosti sem prehodil in prevozil. Šele meseca aprila leta 1909 se zberemo v prostorih na 2313 Chouteau ave., namreč prej omenjenih pet bečlarjev, dva sem imel doma, kot že omenjeno, Cankar pa je pripeljal iz So. St. Louisa poleg sebe še Valentina Severja in Jovca Dolenca. Začeli smo torej z desetimi novimi člani. Tako je bil prebit zelo trd led.

Mlodo društvo je dobilo ime Planinski raj, jednota pa mu je določila št. 107. Večkrat sem bil že vprašan, kaj me je prav za prav privedlo do tega imena. Sam sem bil namreč deležen marjakk dan svežega zraka precej daleč nad Bohinjem na Gorenskem, posebno pa takrat, ko sem plezal na Triglav, kakor je bilo poročano v Prosveti. Torej kdor ima vsaj parkrat priliko, da uživa tiste lepe planinske kraje, mu gredo težko iz spominja.

Tisti dan, ko smo dopoldne ustanovili društvo Planinski raj, sem moral iti popoldne na seja društva 70 KSKJ, kajti razmere so me prisilile, da sem moral tja pristopiti, tako da sem vsaj za

silo hude duhove pomiril. Ko pridem na seja, me vpraša društveni predsednik: "Slišal sem, da ste ustanovili novo društvo." — "Da," mu odgovorim. "Kakšno ime ste mu dali?" — "Planinski raj." — "Res lepo ime ste mu dali." — "Hvala," odgovorim.

Kak mesec po tistem si je omenjeno društvo umislilo kar tri nove zastave: zastavo sv. Srca Jezusa, ameriško in slovensko. Vse tri zastave morajo seveda biti po katoliško blagoslovljene. In teh zastav ne bo blagoslovil nihče drugi kot duhovni vodja iz Jolietta, Ill.

Ko je napočil omenjeni dan, je hotelo biti vse v ospredju: vsa verska društva iz vsega mesta in okolice. Razni društveni maršali so imeli še to čast, da so jездili lepo osedlane konje. Parada in pol pa bašta! Vse je bilo dostojno in v redu, toda ne z menoj. Dobil sem namreč pismo od duhovnega vodja, naj pridem k njemu na določeni dan, da se pogovoriva, zakaj sem kot član katoliške jednote ustanovil brezversko društvo. Vedel sem, da z molkom najlažje vse prenesem. Ta sveti mož mi je dal najrgia imena, samo človeško ne. Takrat sem tudi objubil sam sebi, da ob prvi priliki odstopim od njihovega društva. Poznani so mi dobri člani, ki so me tako grdo zatožili. Ali danes jih krije črna zemlja in zato jim drage volje odpuščam.

Da, to se je godilo leta 1909, torej pred 35 leti. Našel bi lahko še mnogo primer, kako smo imeli razne težave in teškoče, toda naj zastuje.

Planinski raj je pričel rasti. Iz malega deteta je postal orjak. Poleg tega je še dobil tovariša v društvu Radničke sloge, kjer so večinoma primorski rojaki; dalje angleško poslujoče društvo Spirit of St. Louis, ki je v ponos vsemu narodu.

Dandanes ni treba nikomur več pojasnjevati, zakaj je bil prav za prav organiziran Planinski raj. Kot že omenjeno, je bilo to društvo ustanovljeno radi potrebe. In tako tudi njegova dva bratranca. Zatorej ob 35-letnici kličem Planinskemu rajju: Pojdi naprej po začetni poti, žive razveseljuj, žalostne tolaži, dvomljivcem prav svetuj, bolnike ozdravljaj, mrtve pa pokopljaj!

To sem napisal zato, da bo vsaj deloma pojasnjeno članstvu, da v onih časih ni bila nobena šala ustanavljati društva jednote in tudi ni bila šala za ustanovitelje.

John Lipovah, pionir Planinskega raja.

Petletnica kroška Milwaukee.

Naša mladina pri krožku št. 18 SNPJ bo praznovala petletnico svojega obstanka. Ker se bo to vršilo na materinski dan 14. maja, pri-

Listnica upravnistva in izjava

Znano je, da je valed vojne nastalo pomanjkanje papirja za časopise in druge tiskovine. Radi sprejetega zakona in odredbe W.L.B. moramo v letu 1944 znižati uporabo vsakovrstnega papirja za eno četrtino teže porabljenega papirja v letu 1941. S tem prizadeta tudi naša tiskarna in paziti bo treba, da na kakšen način bomo znižali uporabo papirja v tem letu, oziroma do preklica te odredbe. V tem smislu imam eno sugestijo, seveda ako bo članstvo voljno upoštevati to priporočilo sicer, da se prostovoljno odpovedo prejemaju glasila Prosvete tam, kjer je več članov v družini, ki dobivajo tednik na isti naslov. Torej se seveda prostovoljno, je pa v interesu SNPJ tiskarne in v pomoč hitrejši zmagi v tej vojni.

Prosim, izpolnite spodnje in nam vrnite listino, tako, da se bo na vse take prostovoljne izjave ustavilo pošiljanje tednika Prosvete. TO VELJA LE ZA ONE, KATERIH GLASILA NISO PRIŠTETA K NAROČNINI NA DNEVNIK.

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Zelo lepo bi torej bilo, ako se starejši člani udeležimo te priredbe v polnem številu. S tem bomo pomagali naši mladini do boljšega uspeha.

Kar se tiče kampanje za pridobivanje novih članov ob priliki 40-letnice SNPJ, je v polnem zamahu tudi pri nas. Na zadnji seji društva Vijolice so bili predlagani štirje novi člani, kar je pač lepo število za te čase in tako mlado društvo. Je tudi lep uspeh za agilnega br. Jovca Tamšeta, ki jih je pridobil. Pač vredno, da ga posnemamo. (Drugo bo v dnevniku — ured.)

Joe Vidmar, 747.

Društvene priredbe

Neznanilo Gowandžanom

Gcwanda, N. Y. — Vsem tukajšnjim članom SNPJ in drugim rojakom naznanjamo, da bosta društvi 325 in 728 ter mladinski krožek št. 40 SNPJ priredili skupni piknik dne 17. in 18. junija. Ob tej priliki bomo praznovali 40-letnico jednote in petletnico krožka. Več o tem pozneje. — Za društvo 325 —

Mary Sibbil, tajnica.

Vabilo na veselico

Burgettstown, Pa. — Društvo Cavaliers 741 SNPJ bo praznovalo svojo enajsto obletnico a plesno veselico v soboto zvečer, 29. aprila v Slovenskem domu. Za plesateljine bo igrala dobro znana godba Slovence Swing Kings iz Willocka. Na razpolago bodo tudi domače klobase.

Uljudno so vabljeni vsa bližnja društva, člani in prijatelji, da se udeležijo te zabave. Vsak član tega društva mora plačati 40c v blagajno, če se veselice udeleži ali ne. Vojaki so prosti vstopnino. Torej na svidenje v soboto zvečer.

Mary Leukovac.

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Naše društvene slavnosti

Ob koncu tega in prihodnjega tedna bo več društev SNPJ praznovalo svoje jubileje. Vsak jubilej je važen za vsako društvo ali organizacijo, toda čim več mejnikov predstavlja, toliko pomembnejši je. Starejše kot je društvo ali jednota, več dobrega dela predstavlja s strani marljivih članov in več medsebojne pomoči za člane. Vse to je zajeto v besedi "bratstvo." In naša društva z jednoto na čelu so za nas važne delavske bratske postojanke.

V nedeljo, 30. aprila, imamo pod okriljem jednote tri važne društvene proslave. V naši občini čikaški naselbini praznuje v južnem delu mesta društvo Delavec št. 8 svoj 40-letni jubilej s primernim programom. Že ime društva pove, da so bili njegovi ustanovitelji ne samo delavci po imenu in sloju, marveč tudi po zavesti, kajti če bi ne bili, bi svojemu društvu gotovo ne dali ime "Delavec." Ta duh, bratski delavski duh je tudi vedno prevladoval v tem društvu, prevladuje članom in bo gotovo tudi v bodoče. Porok za to so nam njegovi vodilni člane: tajnik Kosič in njegova skupina galantnih odbornikov ter drugih aktivnih članov.

Bratje v South Chicagu, naprej po začrtani poti! Društvo Delavec je vaš ponos in vi ste ponos društva!

Druga proslava se v nedeljo vrši v Kansasu. Sploh bo to trojna slavnost: vsakoletna prvomajska proslava vseh kansaskih društev jednote pod okriljem federacije, 40-letnica društva 9 in obenem praznovanje jednotnega 40-letnega jubileja. Vse to se vrši v Yalu; kjer je nekak centrum naših kansaskih naselbin.

V delokrogu SNPJ je mnogo naselbin in krajev, ki se odlikujejo s svojim posebnim doprinosom k zgodovini ameriških Slovencev in naše jednote. Kansas se odlikuje po svoji borbeni delavski zgodovini. V zgodnjih letih naših naseljenecv v tej državi se je med njimi razvil pravi proletarski duh, prežet s socialističnimi idejami. In tako so kansaska naselbine vzgojile lepo število najboljših agitatorjev za SNPJ in delavske stvari. Danes so večinoma razkropljeni križem dežele, toda proletarski duh, ki so se ga nazvali v Kansasu pred 20, 30 in več leti, jih ni nikdar zapustil. In tako so še danes med najboljšimi delavci za jednoto in delavsko stvar.

Kansaska društva torej lahko upravičeno praznujejo vsako leto Prvi maj, kajti so lahko ponosna na svojo zgodovino. Obnem s to proslavo drže pokonci tudi luč svobode, bratstva in enakosti, ki mora nekdo zasijati vsemu človeštvu!

Tretja slavnost se v nedeljo vrši v St. Louisu, kjer društvo Planinski raj št. 107 praznuje svoj 35-letni jubilej. Sentlojšanov osebno ne poznamo, toda znano je vsem, da ima Planinski raj nekaj zelo pridnih članov in članic, ki drže svoje društvo v ospredju. Njih delo do danes je porok, da ga bodo držali v ospredju tudi v bodoče, svoje naslednike pa vzgojili med mlajšo generacijo.

Teden pozneje, prvo nedeljo v maju, bosta pod okriljem jednote dve prav tako važni proslavi. V Clevelandu ta dan praznuje svoj 40-letni jubilej društvo Naprej št. 5, ki ima za sabo eno izmed najslajnejših zgodovinskih društev. To društvo je napredno in pionirsko v pravem pomenu besede. Kot prvo ali matično društvo je sodelovalo pri ustanovitvi marsikakšne postojanke jednote v Clevelandu. K ustanoviteljem tega društva so se zatekali po informacije drugi rojaki, ki so želeli ustanoviti novo društvo in ga priklopiti k mladi, napredni in bojeviti SNPJ.

Ker so bili ustanovitelji in vodilni člani Napreja—Jože Kalan, Frank Černe, Jože Zele in drugi—močne osebnosti, trdni značaji in naprednega mišljenja, je društvo kmalu postalo vodilna sila v naselbini, kamor je vsako leto prihajalo na tisoče naših naseljenecv iz starega kraja. Vodilno mesto je kmalu dobilo tudi v jednoti in je bilo skozni dolga leta največje društvo. Zanjina leta pa je bilo po številu članstva potisnjeno na tretje mesto, toda ne Naprejev duh! Ta še vedno ponosno vira in se razliva po vsej naselbini.

Brez Napreja bi slovenski Cleveland ne bil to, kar je. Valed tega je popolnoma na mestu in pravilno, da bo Naprej podal na tem svojem jubileju enega najlepših kulturnih programov, kar jih je še videl bogatih programov vajeni Cleveland. Ko smo pred par tedni čitali njegovo vsebino v Prosveti, si je gotovo marsikdo zaželel, da bi mogel biti navzoč. Program bo res vreden Napreja in Naprej programa! Njegovo in ostalo clevelandsko članstvo jednote bo 7. maja popoldne gotovo napolnilo avditorij SND do kapacitete. Se na mnoga leta, Naprej in Naprejevci!

Isti dan se vrši pomembna proslava tudi v Pueblu, Colo. Coloradska in novomehiška društva jednote, ki spadajo k svoji okrožni federaciji, praznujejo ta dan jednotni 40-letni jubilej. Federacija bo isti dan zborovala v Pueblu. To priložilo bo članstvo izbrabilo, da bo praznovalo tudi ta važni jubilej svoje organizacije. "Gostitelj" bo društvo Ore! št. 21, ki tudi kmalu praznuje enak jubilej.

Zapad je velik, mesta in naselbine bolj redke in med njimi večje ali velike daljave. Pred to vojno so coloradska in novomehiška društva imela velike skupne slavnosti—praznovanje dneva SNPJ. Dokler traja vojna, je to izključeno, ker je malo gasolina in s avti je treba varčevati. Vendar je upanje, da bodo na tej skupni slavnosti zastopana vsa društva po možnosti. Naj se pa Pueblčani toliko bolje udeležijo, saj jih je veliko!

Uredništvo želi obilo uspeha vsem društvom. Da bi vaše proslave dobro izpadle!

Potrebujejo društveni dom
Madison, Ill.—Kakor vidimo v Prosveti, je letos 40-letnica naše Slovenske narodne podporne jednote. Velika obletnica. V proslavo te obletnice je tudi razpisana kampanja za pridobivanje novih članov. Kampanja je res potrebna, da pridobimo čim več mlade sile in nove energije.

Zdaj pa prihajam s sugestijo in z željo, da bi jo mogoče realizirali v mojem okolišu. Vprašanje vseh velikih in manjših naselbin je, kako poskrbeti za napredke društev. To vprašanje je tudi pri nas v tej okolici, kjer imamo društvo št. 250 SNPJ. Napredek je le v mladi sili, ali vprašanje je, kako pritegniti mladino v društvo. Kaj bi bilo najbolj privlačno?

Atletika je vrlo dobra stvar za mlade ljudi, prav tako nagrade in tekmovanje za pridobivanje novih članov. Ali vsi mladi člani niso aktivni v atletiki, in kadar je kampanja, tudi vsi člani ne tekmujejo za nagrade. Za pritegnitev in obdržanje mladine je treba nekaj drugega, nekaj fundamentalnega. Po mojem mnenju je vsaka naselbina, ki ima večji ali manjši društveni dom na pravi podlagi, kajti v domu se zbira tudi mladina. Ali kjer nimajo svojega društvenega ali narodnega doma, kakor je to na primer pri nas v Madisonu in Granite Cityju, pa se članstvo, mlado in staro, nima kje zbirati.

Vidi se mi, da bi bilo dobro, da bi iz glavnega urada pričeli agitirati za zgradnjo narodnega ali društvenega doma v vsakem mestu, kjer je sedem tisoč prebivalcev in društvo jednote s 50 ali več člani. Potrebno je seveda, da je v mestu stalno industrijsko delo. Ako ima na primer slovensko društvo svojo dvorano, drugi narodi je pa nima, se te ugodnosti tudi drugi poslužujejo in prihajajo v društveni center. Tako se ustvarja polje za agitacijo za nove člane. Važno je seveda, da tako dvorano upravljajo člani, ki delujejo v smislu moralnega in materialnega napredka. V taki naselbini se bo ustvaril tudi atletski klub za mladino. Stari člani bi potem videli preporod. Mladina bi seveda prirejala tudi ples, ker se mlad človek rad zavrti. Ni treba, da je večja dvorana kot je primerna za okolico. Dvorana bi se po malem izplačevala, o tem sem siguren. Glavno je, da imaš svoj dom. To je moja sugestija za napredek SNPJ.

Joseph Jambrovich.
Pripomba uredništvu: Vaša sugestija je dobra, kajti za vsako naselbino, za vsako društvo je skupni dom velikega pomena in tudi podlaga za napredek. Toda to je stvar vsake naselbine, da si zgradi svoj narodni ali društveni dom, ne pa glavnega urada. Ta lahko le pomaga na ta ali drugi način, ako je pomoč potrebna.

Tri priredbe v metropoli
Cleveland. — V Clevelandu bomo imeli v prihodnjih par tednih tri važne in zanimive priredbe. Prva se vrši v izbranim koncertnim programom v nedeljo, 30. aprila v Slovenskem delavskem domu na Waterloo rd., pričetek ob treh popoldne. Vrši se pod pokroviteljstvom postojanke 35 JPO-SS.

Koncertne točke bosta podala pevski zbori Jadran in Slovan s sodelovanjem mladinskega pevskega zbora SDD, ki je imel 16. aprila zelo uspešen koncert z igro. Program bo otvoril predsednik postojanke s pozdravom. Videli bomo tudi živo sliko, ki jo priredi Vinko Coff s svojo skupino. Nastopi tudi duet pevskega zbora Zarja — mis Turkman in miss Turk, v solospetu pa miss Florence Unetich. Kot govornik nastopi Mat Petrovich. Po programu bo večerja in tudi proste zabave ne bo manjkalo. Ta postojanka je imela zadnjo jesen, 24. okt., bogat varti-program in priredba je bila uspeh do vrhunca. Torej uljudno vabim vse naše ljudi, moške in ženske, da bo tudi ta priredba tako uspešna. Ta postojanka je zelo aktivna od početka. Torej pridite v velikem številu, ker ves preostanek gre za reveže v stari domovini.

Kot sem že zadnjič omenil v Prosveti, proslavlja 40-letnico tukajšnje pionirsko društvo Naprej št. 5 SNPJ. To bo v nedeljo popoldne, 7. maja, v SND na St. Clairju. Naprej proslavi ta jubilej z velikim in zelo zanimivim programom. Tudi k Naprejevcem pridemo in oni nam bodo prav dobro postregli, posebno pa z bogatim programom.

Tretja in zelo važna priredba bo prvi koncert mladinskega zbora SNPJ, ki se vrši v nedeljo popoldne, 21. maja v SND na St. Clairju. Ta mladinski zbor je bil ustanovljen nekako pred osmimi meseci. Po številu je zelo močan, pa tudi po pevskem znanju ni zadnji, kajti poje zelo lepo in gladko že veliko pesmi. Zbor ima dobrega, skrbnega in inteligentnega pevovodja v osebi mladega mr. Malečkarja. On je zelo izobražen mladenič in se je tudi zelo priljubil mladim pevcom in pevkam.

O tem koncertu bomo še pisali, zdaj naj le rečem, naj si članstvo SNPJ v Clevelandu in okolici rezervira tretjo nedeljo v maju za mladino. Ta dan mora biti veliki avditorij SND nabit poln. Le tako bomo navdušili mlade pevce in pevke za nadaljnje delo in učenje.

Anton Jankovich.
O smrti žene
Cleveland. — Da, izgubili smo mater in ženo. Ni je več med nami in zelo jo pogrešamo, vemo pa, da pojdemo tudi mi za njo. Dokler njeno živeli, bomo nadaljevali njeno delo toliko časa, da tudi nas ponesejo za njo. Potem bomo pa počivali poleg nje. Upamo pa, da bo naš duh živel tudi po smrti!

Prav težko mi je zapisati teh par vrstic, ker žadeti nas je hud udarec. Ali moram nekaj napisati, ker tolažbo vprašanja in spodbude prihajajo iz različnih delov Združenih držav od bratov in sester, znancev in prijateljev. Ne objubim nič, ker ne vem, kdaj bom sam poklican v večnost, odkoder ni več vrnitve.

Odgovor na vprašanja iz Samsdale, Fla., in iz Bradleyja, Illinois: Anna Barbič ni bila bolna od 3. maja 1940, ko je bila operirana radi "hernije". Leta 1941 je bila v Pittsburghu v hotelu Pittu na banketu, povsem zdrava, da je lahko obirala kokosi.

Ko sem se 6. aprila vrnil iz jutranje službe ob pol enajstih, je bila žena v postelji. Vprašam jo, kje je vnuk James. Poslala je k mrs. Klein, da pokliče zdravnika, ker je bolna. Zdravnika ni bilo, ko sem odhajal na "second swing" ob pol dveh popoldne. Ano popeljem v spodnje prostore k sinu, da bo lahko videla, kdaj pride zdravnik, če pride. In prišel je, ko je bila sinaha Helen že doma z dela, ker sin Edward je klican v armado.

Še tisti večer mi pravi žena, da želi napraviti oporo — takoj. Odgovoril sem, ker je pozno, bomo jutri napravili. (Sedaj mi je žal, ker imam veliko opravka; ali, ker se malo razumem, bom tudi to oviro premagal.)

Ko sem tisti večer zaspal, zaslišim močan klic žene. Hitro vstanem in grem k nji. Kaj je? Kaže mi glavo in pravi, da jo boli. Ura je pol dveh zjutraj, 7. aprila. Bil je drugi udarec mrtvouda. Ali bila je še vedno pri zavesti in sva se pogovarjala do šestih zjutraj, ko pride Helena in pravi, naj grem spat. Ona je ostala pri bolnici in se pogovarjala z njo preko sedme ure, ko se odstrani in gre k svojima otrokama. Čez pol ure se vrne k bolnici in glasno zakliče. Vstanem in grem k njej. Le-

žala je kot mrtva, vendar je bila še pri življenju. Pokličemo zdravnika in nekaj sosed. Spravili smo jo nazaj k življenju. Pride zdravnik in ga vprašam, koliko časa bo po njegovem mnenju še živel. Morebiti eno uro, je bil odgovor. Hitim k telefonu in pokličem Rdeči križ, naj mi pokličejo sina Eugena iz Alaske, ker mati umira. Storiš so in mi svetovalci, naj tudi jaz pošljem telegram, kar sem storil. Anna ni živila samo eno uro, marveč do sobote do pol petih popoldne, ko je izdihnila za večno.

Mnoge ženske me vprašujejo kaj in kako in celo v pisnih me vprašujejo. Zato to pišem, da boste vedele. Zdravniki je zapisal "Hypertension", kar pomeni v angleščini "high blood pressure", v slovenščini pa hud pritisk krvi. Udarec je bil na možgane, pozneje je nastopila še pljučnica, ki jo je strašno mučila v zadnjih treh urah in njene muke so bile grozne. Zdravniki je rekel, da ni pomoči, in ni je bilo. Moja dva sinova, ki sta še doma, njih žene in jaz smo bili od začetka do konca pri njeni postelji in jokali. Videli sem že mnogo smrtnih slučajev in sem jih lahko prenašal. Ampak ta je bil pa naš — za nas vse nekaj drugega kot drugi.

V soboto ob 8:30 popoldne smo čitali v lokalnem listu dopis Anne Barbič, v katerem vabi na veselico društva S v o b o d e 748 SNPJ, toda sedaj je Anna še ležala mrtva! Veselica se je vršila, ali Anne ni več... One žene, ki so vedele, kaj se je zgodilo, so težko delale, ampak delo mera iti naprej.

Pred namo leži kup pisem, posebno od ženskega spola. Nekaterim sem odgovoril, toda sedaj ne vem, kje sem. Tukaj je Rose Radovich, ki me spodbuja k vztrajnosti, potem Anna Mah-nich iz Waukegana, pismo Anne Prime iz Greenwooda, Wis., Kristine Podjavoršek in soc. klub- ba iz Milwaukeeja, Mary Vasil, tajnica ženskega društva Vene-re 192 SNPJ iz Milwaukeeja, Angela Zaitz in Minka Alesh-ta celo naročili venec v imenu uradnih Nade, poleg še Julia Horzen, vse iz Chicaga. Mrs. A. Bezek, tajnica društva 119 SNPJ iz Waukegana, mi je poslala pismo, njen sin Ed die je karico bojalja iz armade. Škako mar. Zakovšek iz North Chicaga.

Ampak moram nehati. Hval-ležna vam vsem je vsa naša dru-žina za tolažbo v tej duhni uri šlosti. Njeno društvo Svoboda in Progresivne Slovenke, tujini je bila tudi članica, šo jo spremile k zadnjemu počitku in jo tudi nosile, od vsake organizacije tri. Nagrobni govori so bili tudi od žensk — od mrs. Tomle in mrs. Anne Zaitz. Prav lep govor je imel tudi Matt Petrovich v po-brebnem zavodu.

Pred mano leži skoraj sto pi-sem. Vseh vas ne morem zabe-ležiti, dasi so mi vsa pisma v veliko tolažbo. Hvaležen sem vam, ker ste se spomnili name in na mojo družino z vašo tolažbo, ki je v resnici potrebna. Skušal bom premagati bolelost, ali požabi-ti je ne bo mogoče. Vaš pozna-ni —

Frank Barbič.

Osemletnica Družabnega kluba
Chicago. — Družabni klub Slovenskega delavskega centra obhaja osemletnico svojega obstanka. Zato prireja domačo zabavo za svoje članstvo in njih prijatelje dne 29. aprila v vseh prostorih Centra in na vrtu. Slavje se prične že popoldne na balinišče, ples pa zvečer. Igral bo poskočne polkice in valčke naš dobro poznani harmonikar Mebevec, ki vedno pridno vleče debevo v rajsko veselje plesa-željnih vseh letnikov in kolen-skih kvalitet.

Zabava bo za vse in vstopnina prosta; raznovrstna pijača in o-kuzelo zmernih cenah. Naše čla-nice obetajo, da bodo v kuhinji servirale izredno dobre vložke iz doma nasoljene in prekajene svinjine, ki se v okusu razlikuje od navadne šunke kot noč in dan. Tudi potica in kava bosta na razpolago.

Naš tajnik, John Rak, bo po-biral članarino za leto 1944, ki je samo en dolar za celo leto. Tisti, ki še niste letos plačali, ste tem potom prošli, da čla-narino obnovite pri tajniku na tej veselici, in pa, če vam je mo-goče, da predlagate kakoga no-

vega člana ali članico za spre-jem na prihodnji seji.

Na svidenje torej v soboto zvečer, 29. aprila v Slovenskem delavskem centru, 2301 S. Lawndale av., in pa ne pozabite pripeljati s seboj svojih prijateljev in prijateljic!

Frank S. Tauchar.

To in ono iz Colorada

Pueblo, Colorado.—V tukajšnji jeklarni se je 1. aprila pripetila velika nesreča. Eksplozirala je goreča, raztopljena masa in ob-la tri delavce, ki so delali v jami pod kotli. Po narodnosti so Slo-venec, Španjolec in Poljak. Naj-bolj je bil prizadet Slovenec, naš član Anton Znidarsich, kateri je po največjih mukah, ki morejo prizadeti človeško bitje, umrl 5. aprila.

Rojen je bil v Tomaju pri Se-žani na Primorskem. Dne 13. aprila bi bil star 51 let. Zapu-šča ženo, tri hčere in dva sinova. Bil je mirnega, tihega značaja. Pokopan je bil 10. aprila. Pogreb je bil lep. John Germ je pel pri maši zadržnički, po maši pa gan-ljivo "Vigred se povrne..." Da je imel veliko sočustvovalcev, so pričali bogati venci, poklonje-ni umrlemu. Njegovi ženi Mary, naši članici, kakor tudi ostali družini, izreka društvo Ore! na tem mestu iskreno sožalje!

V bolnišnici se je nahajala Jo-hanna Brunovich, sedaj se pa zdravi pri hčeri.

Dne 10. aprila smo imeli v Co-loradu enega največjih sneženih viharjev, kar jih pomni naša drž-ava. Električne in telefonske žice so bile potrgane, drogi so le-žali vseprek čez državne ceste, delavci iz treh držav so bili po-klicani, da spravijo v red, kar se tiče razsvetljave in telefonske zveze.

Letos praznujemo 40-letnico SNPJ. Ali bi ne bilo dobro, če bi društvo št. 21 poklonilo naši jednoti našo kvoto 29 novih čla-nov? Vem, da bo težko, ampak če vsi primemo, lahko to do-sežemo. Vsak naj naredi svoj "share"—tajnica bo gotovo sku-šala svojega. Kredit bo šel vsa-kemu, kdor koga dobi, če se sam javi, pa njemu samemu.

Vsa društva, spadajoča k fede-raciji za južni Colorado in Novo Mehiko se opozarjajo, naj ne pre-zo federacijskega naznanila o skupnih seji, ki se vrši 7. maja ob 2 uri popoldne v Narodnem do-mu, Pueblo, Colorado.

Zvečer ob 7:30 bo pričetek pro-grama praznovanja 40-letnice SNPJ in majske veselice vseh društev, spadajočih k federaciji, pod pokroviteljstvom društva Ore!. Na programu bo govor (govornik še ni določen), film-ske slike in ples.

Sedaj sem pa v škripcih. Ne morem opisati slik, ker ne vem ničesar o stvari, vem pa po ust-nem izročilu, da so slike iz naše stare domovine in da so izvrstne. Izrazim pa lahko željo, naj nikdo ne zamudi prilike, da vidi nek-danje naše kraje vsaj na slikah. Pri plesu bo igrala godba Jovea Pechka ml. s štirimi komadi.

Pridimo enkrat zopet vsi skupaj, bližnji in oddaljeni. Prosla-vino 40-letni obstanek jednote in utrdimo vez bratstva med na-mi. Trudnost naj bo pozabljena za ta večer. Najzemimo se, da bomo vsi v Narodnem domu v nedeljo, 7. maja.

Dne 21. maja bo pa ples v prid Sansu in pomožni akciji v Jože-fovi dvorani. Ne govorimo samo, ampak pokažimo dejansko, da čutimo z našimi brati in se-strami onkraj morja in sicer s tem, da se udeležimo plesa in fi-nančno podpremo delovanje v prid naši zatri domovini.

Ker nisem že dolgo pisala, bom posegla malo nazaj in to prav do božiča. Kar človek napiše, ni prav. Temu ni to prav, druge-mu drugo, tretjemu pa nobena stvar. Nobena stvar me ni kma-lu tako ganila kot me je spis An-tona Gardna v Prosveti o božiču iz njegovih mladostnih let. Ne-kaj podobnega je bilo tudi v moji otroški dobi. Ko je opisoval svo-jeja očeta, se mi je zdelo, da opi-suje tudi mojega. Tudi moj oče je prepeval z nami božičnice pred jaslicami v kotu.

Ker sem že pri božiču, mi sto-pi pred oči še drug božič. Moj sin Sammy dela za ameriško de-mokracijo na Irskem. Včasih do-bimo od predstojnikov revljo, v kateri je popisano delovanje, ak-tivnosti, razvedrila in samotna, pokrajina, kjer so nastanjeni na-

ši ameriški fantje. Med drugim dajo razumeti, da jim skušajo dati vse ugodnosti, nemožejo jim je pa potolažiti brezmejnega do-motožja, ki tare te tehnike.

Torej Sammy piše 10 dni pred božičem: "Barake smo vse po-milili od vrha do tal in prav lepo izgleda, čeprav samo mislim ta-ko." Pet dni pred božičem: "Fantje so privlekli od nekod smreko, bog zna kje so jo dobili. Mi mehaniki smo poskali nekaj stare žice, narezali papirja, obe-sili na drevo in če verjameš ali ne, sedaj-le, ko ga ogledujem prav oddaleč, se mi zdi v resnici kot "Christmas tree." Ker v pri-hodnjem pismu božič ni bil dosti omenjen, je človeka nehoti ne-kaj stisnilo tam pri srcu. Na mi-sel mi je prišlo, da so pričako-vali od božiča nekaj izvanredne-ga; najbrže je bilo domotožje, tisti dan podvojeno. Včasih pi-še: "Ireland is a beautiful coun-try, but give me the good old U.S.A. I am lonely, sometimes even for our pra-ries." (Drugo bo v dnevniku.—Ured.)

Rose Radovich.

Za rojake v Indianapolisu

Indianapolis, Ind.—Direktorij Slovenskega narodnega doma je sklenil na seji, da je pripravil nekaj žrtvovati za naše fante in može, ki se bore širom sveta, da nam ostane nekakšen zgodovins-ki spomin na to največje sve-tovno klanje. Nikakor ne bi bi-lo pravilno, da ne bi dali pri-znanje vsem, ki so se žrtvovali ali ki so vsako minuto v nevar-nosti za svoje življenje.

Sklep direktorija se glasi, da bo SND nabavil okvir ali spom-insko tablo, v kateri bodo slike vseh slovenskih fantov in mož iz Indianapolisu in okolice. Frank Velikan je obljubil, da bo on napravil okvir. In ker je on v resnici mojster za taka dela, se pričakuje, da bo napravil ne-kaj lepega.

S Frankom Markičem sva obiskala približno že vse, kateri imajo svoje pri vojaki. Na rokah imamo že precej lepo šte-vilo slik. Vsi tisti, ki ste oblju-bili, da jih boste dali napraviti in vsi oni, ki še niste bili obiska-ni, ste prošeni, da prinesete sli-ke na spodnji naslov. Na vsaki sliki naj be zadaj napisano pravo ime in kdaj je bil vpoklican k vojakom. Opozarjam vas tu-di da preskrbite dobre slike v ve-likosti 3x5 — tri palce široke, pet palcev visoke.

Da vas vprašam za dobre sli-ke, je to, ker bodo stale v okvir-ju leta in leta v poslopju SND; in dobrih slik bo vesle tudi vaš sin ali mož, ko se povrne domov. Prosim vas tudi za takojšnje sodelovanje, ker želimo name-stiti slike v okvirju tako kot so bili vpoklicani. Želimo tudi, da bi bila slika vsakega slovenske-ga vojaka v tem okvirju. Zatorej je vaša ležeča, da se to delo pravilno uredi, da bo v ponos vsem vojakom in v vsej naši na-selbini.

Vsaka stvar se enkrat konča in tudi te vojne bo enkrat konec. Ko se naši fantje vrnejo domov in bodo videli svoje slike v zgodovinskem okvirju, bodo rekli: Mi smo se borili, veliko pretrpeli po raznih frontah kri-žem sveta in to je nam v prizna-nje od naših svojcev in od skup-ne slovenske naselbine.

Torej še enkrat apeliram na vse, ki imate svojce pri vojaki, da prinesete njih slike čim prej mogoče, da gremo z delom na-prej. Fante in može še vedno kličejo pod orožje. Zatorej vas opozarjam, naj vsakdo, ki mora iti k vojakom, napravi svojo sli-ko in vojaški obleki in jo izroči upravi SND. Le tako nam bo mogoče dobiti vse slike za zgo-dovinski okvir. Povejte to tudi onim, ki bi slučajno ne čitali teh vrstic.

Louis Znidarsich,
938 N. Ketcham st.

Popravek

Detroit.—Vidim, da je bil moj zadnji dopis v 78 št. Prosvete malo pomanjkljiv. Želim po-praviti tam, kjer se glasi: "Mol-ku gre zasluga, da je bilo v Ca-lumetu leta 1907 ustanovljeno društvo št. 62 SNPJ in potem žensko društvo št. 97 SSPZ." Glasiti bi se moralo, da je bilo poleg št. 62 SNPJ ustanovljeno tudi žensko društvo 128 SNPJ in možko društvo 97 SSPZ.
Leo Junka.

Slovenska Narodna Podporna Jednota

2557-59 So. Lawndale Ave. Chicago 23, Illinois

GLAVNI ODBOR

- VINCENT CAINKAR, gl. predsednik... F. A. VIDER, gl. tajnik...

Zapisnik seje gospodarskega odseka

Seja z dne 18. marca 1944

Predsednik Petrovich odpre sejo ob 9. zjutraj v gl. uradu... Zapisnik seje z dne 9. febr. je sprejet kot prečitani.

Br. Kuhel, gl. blagajnik, poda sledece porocilo: Meseca februarja sta bili izplačani vknjižni posojili št. 30 (Vogrich, Milwaukee) in št. 50 (Vidrich, Johnston), prvo v vsoti \$300.02 in drugo \$150.00.

Od februarске seje so bili prodani sledeči bondi: Za \$5000 Standard Public Service, obresti 5%, dozorelost 1948, prodani po 100 \$, prejeta vsota na glavnico \$5037.50.

Za \$4000 West Allis, Wis., 5% refundni bondi, dozoreli in plačani 1. marca.

Za \$2000 Chicago Park District, obresti 4 3/4%, refundni bondi serije B, vpoklicani in plačani 1. marca.

Za \$10,000 Chicago Park District, 4% refundni bondi serije B, vpoklicani in plačani 1. marca.

Za \$25,000 cestni bondi države Illinois, 4% obresti, dozoreli in plačani 1. marca.

Posestvo na 255-57 W. 103rd st., Chicago, je bilo prodano po pogodbi 1. marca; vplačano \$1000, bilanca \$6000 pa se bo odplačevala mesečno na podlagi amortizacije.

Posestvo na 1860 S. Hamlin, Chicago, je bilo prodano 1. marca za gotovino \$3800.

Na podlagi našega zaključka je bilo \$5000 investiranih pri Reliance Federal Savings and Loan Association, Chicago.

Sledeči bondi bodo vpoklicani v prihodnjih par mesecih: Za \$50,000 Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power, donos 2 3/4%, izdani leta 1940, dozoreli 1. aprila 1943.

Za \$10,000 Hilland Special Road and Bridge District, Fla., donos 4%, dozoreli 1. aprila.

Za \$6000 bondov U. S. Treasury, dozoreli 1947, vpoklicani 15. aprila 1944.

Za \$325,325.00 HOLC bondov (vsaj bondi te vrste, ki jih ima jednota) bo vpoklicanih dne 1. maja.

- Dr. St. Lodge No. 110 Umrl: Alouis Gande, c. 41520; Steve Stonich, c. 59745.

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Prispevki za Narodni svet

Za osvobodilo akcije ali BANS so na dalje prispevali: Društvo št. 106 SNPJ, Imperial, Pa. od privedive \$43.50; blažajne \$35.00; gospodinjaki odesk \$5; nabrano med rojaki \$23; skupaj \$105.50

Imena podizvajalcev, ki so prispevali pri društvu št. 106 SNPJ, Imperial, Pa.: Joseph in Margareta Yarnik \$10; Mary Egan \$5; Anton in Mary Poljak \$5; Jennie Zefran, Tony Gorenc in Mary Lehan, vsak po \$3; Anna Gorenc \$2; Martin Gorenc, Dorothy Tavbar, Jakob Zito, August Pleskovich, Louis Tomo, Frank Urbas, Frank Kerin, Mary Špic, Jernaj Špic, Frances Sladich, Matilda Yarnik, vsak po \$1; Luka Kotel, Max Botich, Anna Tuminski, Tony Michner, Paulina Sladich, Mary Sheffer, Jennie Opika in Matilda Kolesnik, vsak po \$0.50; skupaj \$46. Polovico od tega je poslano za JPO-SS in polovico za BANS.

V. CAINKAR, gl. predsednik.

Federacije SNPJ

Seja utalke federacije Price, Utah - Naznanjam vsem društvom SNPJ, ki spadajo v okrajno federacijo, da so vrši prihodnja seja federacije v nedeljo, 7. maja ob dveh popoldne v dvorani Johna Skerla v Spring Glenu. Prosim vsa društva, da pošljejo svoje zastopnike na to sejo, ker moramo urediti več važnih zadev.

Joseph Peternel, tajnik.

Darovi za stari kraj

Za revne vojne žrtve v starem kraju so nadalje prispevali: Društvo št. 106 SNPJ, Imperial, Pa., dobljane \$35.00; gospodinjaki odesk \$5; nabrano med rojaki \$33.00; imena darovalcev so spodaj navedena; skupaj \$73.00

Poslala Mary Poljak, tajnica. Čisti dohodek od privedive (party \$6), ki se je vrnila 26. febr. t. l. v lazen v Aliguppi, Pa. \$20.00

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Seja coloradske federacije

Walsenburg, Colo. - Naznanjam društvom SNPJ, ki spadajo k federaciji za Colorado in Novo Mehiko, da je odbor na sestanku 16. aprila sklenil, da se vrši prihodnja seja federacije v nedeljo, 7. maja ob dveh popoldne v Narodnem domu v Pueblo.

Ker že par let nismo imeli federacijske seje, bo to zborovanje važna za društva in člane. Zato naj društva poskrbe, da bodo gotovo zastopana na tej seji po svojih zastopnikih.

Društvo Orel št. 21 pa priredi istega dne zvečer program v proslavo 40-letnice jednote, o čemer poročajo njih odbor na drugem mestu. Vsi vemo, ki smo že bili na njihovih proslavah, da preskrbijo posebnikom izvrstnem duševni užitek in tudi najboljšo potrebo. Člani in drugi rajki! Komur je mogoče, naj pride 7. maja zvečer v Narodni dom v Pueblo.

Frank L. Tomatic, predsednik.

Društvene vesti

North Chicago, Ill. - Naznanjam članstvu društva 14 SNPJ, da smo na januarski seji razpravljali glede društvenih financ: kako vzdrževati društvo, ker danes niso razmere kot so bile pred vojno, da bi krili stroške iz dohodkov veselice. Radi tega je bilo sklenjeno, da se razpiše izredni asessment dolar na člana. Izvzeti so samo člani-vojaki, katerih imamo 64 v službi Strica Sama. Torej vsi člani, ki še niste plačali te doklade, imate čas do 16. decembra 1944.

Obenem naznanjam vsem članom, da se te dni preselimo na 1015 McAllister ave., North Chicago. Po 26. aprilu se v vaših društvenih zadevah obračajte na moj novi naslov.

Frank Bruce, tajnik.

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Campaign Comments

This week concludes the first month of the current eight-month membership campaign. The drive is being conducted in commemoration of the fortieth anniversary of our Society. It is well to remember that the campaign is in effect for both departments. All members who are active in the drive and who will secure the greatest number of new members in their localities will receive appropriate awards.

Speaking of campaign awards, we all know that these are a necessary inducement in any similar undertaking; in fact, experience proves that campaign awards tend to spur the members to action and set the wheel of progress to motion.

However, there is still another factor which will play an important role in our jubilee campaign. The satisfaction of members participating in the campaign will not be confined to financial awards alone—it will be found also in the knowledge that through their efforts they have set the Society on a new path of progress.

This satisfaction, then, plus the old SNPJ idealism of our pioneers which still prevails today, is the main factor that more than any other thing helps to promote our Society's campaigns. Our Society's enviable record in benefits paid during the past forty years and its prompt service add up to what it is today. All this and its labor ideology and educational program speak well for its success.

It is indeed encouraging to know that the very first week of the drive approximately 35 lodges responded by enrolling new members into their respective folds.

In keeping with the traditional trend, it was quite logical that the first membership application came from Pennsylvania—the old stronghold of the Society. It came from Sharon, a community which has always been in the forefront of SNPJ activities.

Moreover, the outstanding gain of the first week of the drive also came from Pennsylvania—from Strabane, which is another SNPJ stronghold, where Secretary John Zigman of Lodge 138 secured TEN new juvenile members! He achieved this success in the short period of one week, which fact qualifies him as the first contestant for a special award. With this record behind Lodge 138, there is no doubt that they will strive to surpass their quota of 40 new members in the near future.

Furthermore, the second best gain of the initial campaign week was also made in Pennsylvania—at Claridge, the home of Lodge 7, where Secretary Mike Baloh secured six new members.

There are other SNPJ lodges in the Keystone State that have already plunged into the campaign right from the start. From York Run, a comparatively small community, Secretary Anton Zele of Lodge 144 also reported a gain of new members.

We predict that Pennsylvania will continue to lead in this drive.

It is quite obvious that this year's campaign, as the previous drives in recent years, will find the most fertile field among our youth.

This will be so in spite of the fact that many boys and young men are in the armed forces, as are also many girls and young women in various auxiliary branches. The war has compensated the absence of young people in another way: it has boosted the birth rate to a record high.

It is this fact which we must use to our full advantage. We must see that all the new born youngsters of our young people are enrolled in the SNPJ lodges. We must not forget the fact that IN YOUTH LIES THE FUTURE OF OUR SOCIETY. Knowing this, our lodges and individual members must take every opportunity in their locality to bring all insurable children into their fold.

This, then, will be the main duty of our contestants in this year's anniversary campaign!

They should look around in their community and seek prospective members, both juvenile and adult. Our Society must show in the year of its 40th anniversary that it is still able to attract new life into its ranks!

Pioneer Parade

CHICAGO, ILL.—Last Friday's Pioneer lodge 559 meeting was not well attended—whether it was because of the Bulletin not being received on time, or was it the rainy weather? But neither of these two reasons kept this scribe away.

BOWLING—John Aile and Anne Groser did the reporting for the bowlers. The Handicap Tournament was a success. Now both men's and women's teams are being lined up for the Midwest Tournament to be held over the week end of May 5. Lefty Lotrich and Anne Groser attended the National Athletic Board meeting held in Cleveland and gave a report on same.

SANC—At the last SANC meeting our Pioneer delegates accepted a quota of 20 drawing books for War Bonds, of which Joseph Kristan sold 8 and Steve Cerkoney 2. Those of you that still have books, push the sales and turn the results in to D. J. Lotrich before the next meeting. SANC local 60 will hold a dance Saturday, May 27, at which the awards will be made. The admission is free. Pioneers also contributed \$5 from the lodge treasury.

CAMPAIGN NOTES: Anne Groser started off the new membership campaign by nominating two new members. The lodge quota is 40 and we are confident that this goal is within our reach. William Hyde, as a new member, was initiated at the last meeting.

VISITORS—We had Louis Zorko of Cleveland in our midst. At present he is employed at SNPJ headquarters, Jimmy Kubert, on furlough

from Camp Wheeler, Ga., also paid us a visit. It was good to see Jimmy looking so well. He thanked the lodge for the parcel received. We were sorry that Arley Bosnicnik from the same Camp could not be present, as he, too, was home on furlough.

SOCIAL HOUR—Erna Verznik and her assistant, Mary Verznik, always take charge of this affair. John Verznik brings the corn, Erna calls the numbers and there's always a winner, and was John Zordani a happy man. The meeting awards were drawn with Jack Groser and Mitisle Dutchuk as winners. Mitisle, a cute juvenile, did the drawing and did a good job for Jack and herself.

"DOWN ON THE FARM"—Ann Sanneman (Pioneer), manager of Perfect Circle 26, has started rehearsals for their next program. It will be held on Saturday evening, June 10, at the SNPJ Auditorium. Elaborate preparations and costuming are in the making for "Down on the Farm," the title of the program. We can't give you all the details yet, but can say that it's going to be different from any juvenile program yet given. We want to stress the fact that the Circle needs moral support at all times and this is one of those times.

SLOVENE CENTER SOCIAL CLUB—For a good time attend the 8th anniversary dance of the Slovene Center Social Club this Saturday, April 29, at 2301 S. Lawrence Ave. The club now has over 40 members in the armed forces of Uncle Sam. It is a stopping off point for all SNPJ members from coast to coast. Let's

Cavaliers Hold Birthday Dance

BURGETTSTOWN, PA.—Just a last minute reminder about our anniversary dance on April 29, music by Slovene Swing Kings, of Willock, Pa., and that this dance is being held in celebration of the eleventh anniversary. A door prize will also be awarded, which was donated by Mrs. Hanna Pompe Vietmeier, for which we want to thank her. All friends and neighboring lodges are cordially invited. All on the committee have been working hard to make this affair a success.

Another Cavalier member, Dominick Vajentic, has entered the service of the United States Army, making a total of Cavaliers in service number to eleven. We all wish you a lot of luck, Dom, and hope to see you all back soon.

Hannah Klemencic, another Cavalier, will say "I do" on April 29, to Amil Harris. We all wish you the best of luck, so with this event taking place on the 29th also, this makes a double celebration.

EMMA KOROSEK, Sec'y.

Sharon Keystoneers

SHARON, PA.—The Keystoneers Lodge No. 755 and also Juvenile Circle No. 21 of Sharon, Pa., extend their hearty and sincere congratulations to the Slovene National Benefit Society which is celebrating its 40th anniversary this month. May the progress and success of this great Society continue many, many more years to come!

Reminding everyone to keep two special dates open for a good time, which are Keystoneers' 6th anniversary dance Saturday, June 24, and Juvenile Circle's 5th anniversary dance Saturday, May 13. There will also be a Mother's Day program given by the Circle members, and a special visitor, Bro. Michael Vrhovnik, Juvenile Director, will be present on this occasion.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Slovene Dom want to thank each and everyone for attending their 10th anniversary dance which was held April 15. It was a perfect crowd, and the ladies seem to be well satisfied. Congratulations, ladies. You're doing a wonderful job.

Home on furlough from the Navy are Joseph and Al Cimperman. Welcome home, boys. Al is still a Circle member, and the first Juvenile in the service.

Sorry to say that Bro. Al Zager, who was home on a 16-day furlough, left this morning. It was nice having you home, Al. Hope you reach to be Master Sgt. in the near future. Bro. Bill Bieck is now at Camp Reynolds and often pays us a visit. Best of luck to you, too, Bill.

Lt. Marty Rupert, brother of Henry Rupert, who now is in England, today hit the front page in the Sharon Herald:

"Fortress Piloted by Marty Rupert Damaged by Flak.—Lt. M. D. (Marty) Rupert of Farrell, pilot of a Flying Fortress, participated in yesterday's raid against Nazi targets in France and his plane ran into heavy enemy anti-aircraft fire, according to a press dispatch.

"After he piloted his crippled plane safely back to his base in England he was quoted as saying: 'The Germans seemed to be shooting a lot of flak our way. Our supercharger was hit and we had to feather the No. 3 engine.'

"Lt. Rupert is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Rupert, 1003 Morris-av, Farrell, and worked at the Sharon Store before going into service. He was commissioned last October and went overseas several months ago."

Calling all you dance lovers to attend the dance held by a newly organized club, the "Young Slav Club," held here in Sharon at the Slovene Home this coming Saturday, April 29. This newly organized club consists of almost all young Slav boys. So let's all come and show them that we are their boosters. Music? Maestro Jack Persin.

FRANCES NOVAK, 755.

keep up this service for our out-of-town friends and attend the dance this Saturday.

ALL-A-ROUND—Mary Verznik's picture was published in the Times last week. She didn't miss a day's work nor has been tardy for a year at her place of employment. Her father missed only 2 days work in 35 years. What a record!—Mike Prask's second son, Richard, left for the Marines recently. That makes two from his family.—Bob Tekauts will soon leave for the armed forces.

—It's Corporal Ernie Remed of the USMC now. We've been told he is at Midway and expected home on furlough soon.—A postcard from Lt. Oscar B. Godina and Lt. Mike Kumer tells us that they met in London.

—As a parting shot reserve August 5 for the annual Pioneer picnic at Pilsen Park.

FRANCES L. RAK.

Letter from Egypt

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—I am sending you a copy of two V-mail letters I received from my brother Cpl. John J. Poklar, U. S. Army, now stationed in Egypt. He is a former member and organizer of the SNPJ Junior All Stars Chorus and Circle No. 4 and now a member of the Badgers, SNPJ lodge 584.

He enlisted in August 1942 and studied radio at the University of Chicago until August 1943 when he went to Washington, D. C., took his basic training and was sent overseas in January 1944.

Here is the letter:

Dear Mary:— I had some interesting experience the past week. While I was out looking around with a friend of mine we saw four Yugoslav soldiers walking in front of us. I wanted to speak to them but not knowing whether they spoke Slovene or not I hesitated.

Well, finally they sat down in a park. We sat down behind them. Finally I walked up to them and said, "Ali je kateri med vami Slovenec?" They looked at me and one said in Serbian, "Yes, those two are Slovenes." So I started talking to them. Were they surprised!

I asked them where they were from. One fellow is from Ljubljana. His name is Korporal Franc Spik, of the Yugoslav Royal Guard. I know you have heard the name Spik many times in the U. S., and if I remember correctly, there is a Spik family in Cleveland, and their daughter, Pauline Spik, has had many interesting articles in the Prosveda about the activities of the Comrade lodge.

The other Slovene is a combination, Slovene and Serbian. He speaks Slovene very well. His name is Anton Simidj. He is a Narednik (sergeant) in the Yugoslav guard.

Here is what will surprise you. He married a Slovene girl from the village of Podgraje about four or five years ago. Her name is Ivanka Poklar. Her complete name and address is Ivanka Poklar-Glivenko, Podgraje 48, Jablanica, Reka.

I've a sneaking suspicion that she is Pop's niece, a daughter of one of his brothers—and if so—she is mine and your first cousin. She is only about 21 years old. Tony wants Pop to send all names of his brothers, sisters and their children that he may have known. He is going to write home and see if he gets an answer. He hasn't heard from home in four years. Doesn't even now if anyone is alive. He has been torpedooed once. He stayed in the water 5 1/2 hours. These boys fought with the Italian army in Libya and surrendered at the first opportunity.

I haven't found much about Mom's relatives, although both boys know where Obrov (her native town) is. I'll talk to them some more when I go to see them. They have certainly been around—in the army eight years. Neither has heard from home in four years. They like the American soldiers a great deal. Send Mom's relatives' names too. I'll write another letter later.

—Best regards, Johnny.

If you like you may translate the letter and publish it in the Slovene section of the Prosveda.

MARY POKLAR, 584
927 A. W. Scott Street
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Philadelphia Slavs Aid Partisan Relief

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—The date Saturday, April 29, will be a day long remembered by Philadelphia's Slavs, for on this day an event will take place which has, for a long time been in the making.

The I. W. O. 4267 brought together seven committees for the purpose of conceiving a plan by which they might be of some use to the Philadelphia Partisan Relief. These committees consisted of members from SNPJ lodge 284, IWO 4267, Croatian Singing Society, Bratsko Slozno Društvo, CFU 231, Jadransko More, and Društvo Karmino.

After much deliberation a program was decided upon which, we are sure, will be to the liking of both young and old. This program will consist of: 1. Nat'l Anthem. 2. Introduction, John Cebular. 3. Milian Billich, Death to Fascism, M. Liban Rizov, Partisans and their Struggle, Dancing.

Music will be furnished by Turkovich's Silver String Tamburizza orchestra and Mickey Valenti and his orchestra.

We feel sure that the words of Milian Billich and Alexander Rizov will long be remembered by us who are so intensely interested in Yugoslavia and her people.

So on April 29, at Culture Hall, 1144 N. 4th St., Philadelphia, this event will take place.

All proceeds will go for medical supplies for the Yugoslav Partisan Army of Liberation headed by Marshal Tito. Come one, come all. Publicity Committee, JOHN V. CEBULAR.

Sygan Lodge Marks 40th Anniv. May 30

SYGAN, PA.—This is only a reminder for our members and friends to keep Memorial Day, May 30, open. On this day we expect all who can to come to Sygan to celebrate Lodge No. 6 fortieth anniversary.

On April 29, we're holding a dance, as usual this dance is for a good cause. An orchestra that is quite popular is going to provide the entertainment.

To date we have 83 members in the armed forces. The following left this month: John Manzini, Donald Manzini, Lawrence Kaucic, Raymond Gasper, Clyde Keil and Thomas Larkin. We all hope they return safely.

We hope to see you all on April 29 at Sygan Hall.

L. M. WIRANT, Lodge 6.

Svoboda Presents Comedy Sunday

DETROIT.—As has been customary for some 27 odd years, Svoboda is presenting a program on Sunday, April 30, at 4 p. m. at the Slovene Dom at 437 S. Livernois. The program this year consists of a comedy in three acts, in which appear a number of our former stars. Olga Petrich as a lively aunt again; Mimi Potochnik, a young woman seeking peace and quiet; Jennie Semrov, and yours truly. Newcomers to our cast are Mary Studak, Joe Tanko and Adolph Koss. Our director as formerly is Guss Platt.

Between acts we will present a few songs. There could be a lot more of these, but as with everything else, the war has practically erased our male section. A male quartet, composed of R. Potochnik, F. Kuhovsky, Ludwig Retzel and Adolph Koss, will render some Slovene songs. The Volk girls are planning a couple of duets and the Nogradsek girls have promised a few numbers. The proceeds of the affair are to go into the soldiers' fund.

In the past two or three years there have been very few plays or operettas among the Slovenes here in Detroit. It would seem as though the war has taken so much of our time and energy that gradually we are forgetting the things which once gave us so much pleasure. I'm sure that our boys who have gone to such far corners of the earth, somehow expect us to keep such things as music and comradeship alive. It's one of those little things that go to make up the freedom they're fighting so hard to preserve.

After the program there will be dancing and refreshments including beer for our thirsty customers.

HELEN ZAGAR.

J. Z. Jr. Bright Spots

LIBRARY, PA.—Marty Kuk's biggest little band of Western Penna scored another hit on April 16 in Library. The dance was another complete success and we wish to take this means to thank you all for attending. It does one's morale a lot of good to attend such affairs, even though you do wear yourself out doing the polkas (better still, knock yourself out doing the jitterbug); it does enable you to relax from the everyday grind of work and worry. Social gatherings during war time are definitely a requisite and should be continued in spite of the handicaps.

The J. Z. Jr.'s band another date with Marty Kuk's band for June 11. More about this later.

This 'n' That

Prizes for the Federation Bowling Tournament (which was held back in Jan. 1944) have finally been set up and the checks for same should be in the possession of the winners shortly. From the report received, Universal and Sygan copped all the prizes.

A complete report of the scores and winners will most likely be published in the very near future.

The Morning Stars and the Preseren Singing Society of Pittsburgh were well represented at our dance, by such reliable members as Sylvia and Rose Fabec, Mrs. Klun and Josephine and a number of others. Thanks for attending and we'll remember your concert and dance on May 28.

A few criticisms have been reaching me indirectly about the names listed (in the April 5 edition of the Prosveda) of the boys in service. This list included only the members of the J. Z. Jr.'s Lodge 682.

The J. Z. Jr.'s regular meeting will be next Thursday, May 4, at 7:30 p. m. Bring a new member.

FRANCES DERMOTTA, 682.

Comrades' Note Book

By J. F. Fiolit

CLEVELAND, O.—Calendar of Events:

Glashena Matica concert April 30. Lodge Naprej 40th anniversary May 7.

SNPJ Juvenile Singing Program May 21.

Midwest Bowling Tournament May 5, 6, 7.

Eastern Doubles Tourney

Johnny Spilar, Whitey Mathews, Marie Stefanie, Hank Zorman and the rest of the gang did a good job in making the doubles affair a success. Comrades congratulate Mollie Koren who copped the girls' doubles crown, teamed with T. Jeric. While many of the old gang were unable to be with us, it was good to see Larry Cassol, Lefty Lotrich, Anne Groser, Verbie, Schlappek, Lefty Kovach, the gang from Detroit, Oh Valencheck and her group from Barberton, on hand.

Last Meeting

This for the benefit of many who were not there; in the absence of Ed Grum, Pauline Spik called the meeting. We missed Mary Kriznanic off on account of an ailment. Auditing report was given and the financial aspect quite pleasing. Present membership campaign mentioned and members urged to do their share in attempting to meet the quota of 26 new members that has been set against the lodge. Motion passed that the lodge pay transportation expense to bowlers participating in the Midwest tournament May 5, 6, and 7. Michael Vrhovnik did a good job of selling the tournament idea on his visit. As I understand that Lunder-Adamic and the Utopians may also be going. Comrade girls will have one or two teams.

Glashena Matica Concert

Sunday, April 30, at 8:30 p. m. Glashena Matica will present another of their yearly concerts. The writer has tickets available for any member who intends to go.

War Bond Drive

Understand that the 5th War Loan Drive will be started in June. Comrades and their friends intending to participate keep in mind and subscribe thru the Comrade lodge.

In the Service

We are going to send in the near future gifts to the boys. If there has been any recent changes in addresses please let me know.

From Roman Tomec, 35249390, 12th A.M.T.C. Co. L. Bar 322, Camp Lee, Va.: "I am a G. I. Joe now and it's quite different from home. I'm in sunny Virginia at Camp Lee. Hope you're O. K. Regards to the gang."

From our good friend and Vice President of the SNPJ Mike Kumer, Lt. 0 1002801 B. C. 2 Hq. ETOUSA A. P. O. 387, c/o Postmaster, New York, comes the following letter. Thanks for the sentiments, Mike:

"The formal announcement of your participation in the Fourth War Bond Drive and the two dances you planned in conjunction with it reached me several weeks ago. Since then I read reports on the great success of your splendid efforts in Prosveda. Today I received your announcement of continued efforts to insure the successful prosecution of the war, to bring joy to the men and women in the services, and to raise the hope of a free people and especially those who defied the intrigue to become an enslaved people. In this connection I am pleased to know of the dance which you held on the 25th, and I hope it was a tremendous success. Only when peace and full liberation comes will these people for whom you are striving so energetically have the time and opportunity to look at your and other accomplishments. How proud and grateful they will then be at the achievements of the American Slovenes!

"It is a great pleasure for me to extend to you congratulations upon the spirited activity which you are carrying on. As a soldier who seeks world-wide understanding and mutual respect as a result of this war; as one who is a confirmed fraternalist and regards fraternalism as a solid foundation of a democratic world; as an enthusiastic SNPJ member who regards his Society as a practical and real facility for preserving all that is good for humanity and strives firmly and with courage to extend the good and abolish the bad, it pleased me very much to read of your activities and of your success. Your efforts are more evidence of how useful our lodges can be. It demonstrated further the wide field of endeavor and creativeness of our lodges. I hope that your lodge has served as an inspiration to other lodges to take part actively in similar activities.

"I shall be happy to read of more of your activities in Prosveda, and I hope that all of you will join in giving a push to the worthy accomplishments of your lodge."

Sgt. Sue Pakis, A 506386 WAC Det. Hq. & Hq. Sq. Eighth Air Force, APO 634, c/o Postmaster, New York, finally broke down and writes:

"I must say that the lodge certainly has been taking good care of me! Your packages have all arrived and the candy is very, very much appreciated. If you had ever tasted the English candy, you certainly would be better able to judge the degree of my appreciation. They don't have a great deal of sugar, consequently each bar of chocolate tastes like bitter chocolate, perhaps just a bit sweet. While I am aware that there is a war on, I nevertheless enjoy the products of a nation that has not as yet been affected to the same degree as Great Britain.

"After living here for 8 months, working with some of the British and feeling the restrictions and discomforts caused by war, I often wonder what the reaction of the people back home would be if they had to take it like the British. You have no idea what their life is like, long queues every time they want some food, coupons and exorbitant prices for clothes, taxes and more taxes, and last of all, not a great deal of freedom of movement. Everyone is drafted to some extent in various types of war work, and if the government thinks you would be more valuable in some other job, you are simply told to go to such and such place to work until you are needed somewhere else. They certainly are all out to win.

"Walking down the streets of any large town, you see women in uniform, men in uniform, in fact, uniform galore. In London you can see the uniform of practically every nation, U. S., Poland, Belgium, Canada, Australia, France, Spain, with the U. S. uniform in preponderance. Everywhere you go, no matter what part of England, you run into some American soldiers. On my last furlough, I went down to the southwest tip of England (Penzance) hoping to get away from the army routine for a while. My first morning in town was spent in answering questions about from what part of the country I was, did I miss the States, etc., for I had run into an infantry group which was stationed close by. It was quite amusing to come to this small village and see G. I.'s, so we had quite a laugh over it.

"On the whole, I'm enjoying this experience and wouldn't give it up for the world. We're kept busy and we're right in the middle of all the activity. The Eighth Air Force is tops and we're lucky to be working under it. Of course, there's time for entertainment, time for trips to different towns close by, so we're not worked "to death." Have seen quite a bit of England and also Ireland for I was lucky enough to take a ride in a B-17 up to Northern Ireland. We were supposed to return the same afternoon, but the weather closed in and we were forced to spend the night in Ireland. We were officially A.W. O.L. so we called up our C. O. in England and told her the circumstances. She was very surprised to hear that three of her WACs were stranded in Northern Ireland but was very reasonable about the whole thing. We're looking forward to another trip in a Fortress in the near future. (Keeping my fingers crossed.)

"As to everyday routine affairs I think we're quite lucky as far as food, quarters and working conditions are concerned. We're a headquarters group and since we were the first WACs here, were given our own Mess Hall and quarters in an old large building. The latest L. R. is that we're going to move in Nissen huts as everything is so crowded, so I guess we're really going to rough it. We don't have to clean up, just get up in time to clean our rooms and our details, have breakfast and be at work at 8:30. Of course, when the missions start going strong, the working hours are all mixed up, we just work night and day, getting up at odd hours and quitting at odd hours. The scope and intensity of the missions are on an increasing daily, as you can probably read in the newspapers, so our work accordingly increases. As for food, it is simply wonderful. We don't have eggs, milk or fresh fruit, but lately we have received an orange once in a while. To have an egg for breakfast means that everyone gets up for breakfast and makes quite an occasion of it. We don't talk about it for days. We don't have milk due to the fact that the British don't pasteurize their milk and our standards don't permit us serving such milk. But most of us take our calcium tablets and try not to think of the day when we shall come home toothless.

"Despite the excitement and fast pace of war, I wish it were all over and that we could all be home again. Nothing in this world can compare to the good old U. S. A. and being away from it all certainly has made me appreciate all its good points. But I'm afraid that it is going to go on for another few years, so I'm all prepared to stay in the army for quite a spell, unless

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Our Front CAMPAIGN BRIEFS OF THE WEEK Of Our Community

By Louis Beniger

The Metropolitan Opera will conclude its two weeks stay in Chicago with two operas Saturday, April 29, "La Boheme" in the afternoon and "Rigoletto" in the evening.

In the former, Anton Subelj, the popular Slovene baritone, will sing the role of Sergeant in the three-act opera, which will be broadcast from station WLS at 1:30 (local time). Subelj's part comes in the third act. Many of our people will, no doubt, listen in to hear Tone's familiar voice over the ether waves for the first time during an opera performance of first class magnitude. Although his part is a short one, it is, nevertheless, an achievement of which the singer can be proud.

Mr. Subelj has been with the Metropolitan Opera for the past eight years and appears regularly in most operas in the chorus. He is a member of the Board of Governors, American Guild of Musical Artists, of which Lawrence Tibbett, noted opera baritone, is the president.

Speaking of opera and opera singers, it is interesting to note that Thomas Beecham, noted English conductor, has to say about American music schools:

"The American music schools are swindling their pupils because young singers never learn to sing. There's croon about and, of course, there are concerts. But your youngsters never will learn to sing until you do something about opera. You have but one opera company of consequence. In Europe there are 200." Beecham believes that in its whole system of musical education the nation has put the cart before the horse, by providing training but no outlet for the talent.

"That seems to be a habit of Anglo-Saxons," he said. "They go to war and then organize an army. You have music schools and no opera companies. There just isn't any country for young singers in this country. They sing a few concerts and don't even exercise their voices. The voices of European youngsters at 19 or 20 are no stronger than those of Americans. But Europeans have a chance in opera and by the time they are 30 they have far outdistanced your young singers."

Which should be a lesson to any American youngster aspiring to sing in opera.

In this issue of Prosveta, Maynard C. Krueger, assistant professor of economics at the University of Chicago, presents "A Plan for Social Enterprise." In it he outlines a program for socialized economy as a workable plan.

First he outlines eight main considerations which, "if taken seriously, can be made and kept democratic as a going practical concern." Secondly, he states there are six major points as the proper functions of government in the operation of a socialized economy. Krueger is not for an outright "nationalization" of all national resources, but he is for a planned economy. His program calls for the abolition of private "title to the kind of property on which other people are dependent for a living, in order to increase the kind of private property which people use themselves."

Those of our readers who are interested in this vital subject will find in his article plenty of food for thought.

Uruguay Pessimistic About Postwar World

Lost Faith in U. S. Britain

MONTEVIDEO—In Uruguay, tiny leader of democratic Latin American countries, practically all the idealism and rose-hued hopes once manifested about the world after victory have disappeared. Pessimism prevails among the learned and the ignorant, the conservative and the radical. And with the loss in faith has come a lowering of sympathy for the United States and Great Britain.

While the pessimism is universal, however, the reaction is diverse. Some tend toward isolationism, some to fall in with Argentina's independent attitude, others to support the United Nations but to guard against imperialism. This last group generally experiences mixed pleasure and pain at the trouble, Argentina makes of herself for the United Nations. Were sanctions, economic or otherwise, to be applied to Argentina for her recalcitrant nationalism, the division in the thinking of Uruguay and of other South American countries would become much more pronounced. Others, the more active and more strongly emotional members of the United Nations, vociferously give their approval, perhaps, a false picture of national unanimity.—(Worldover)

Comrades' Note Book

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...accident occurs, and then come and enjoy the comforts of...

...Thanks again for your kindness. Getting packages at mail call is fun and you certainly have added more pleasure in it for me.

...Could you package some of that sunshine back in the States and send it over? All you have heard about fog and lack of sun here is true. Oh, for a lovely beach with loads of sun!

As we approach the end of the first month of the 40th Anniversary Membership Campaign, we find that there is, as yet, a marked scarcity of the spectacular variety of gains to report. While it is true that up to the time of this writing over one hundred lodges are already participating in the drive, yet only a dozen of them, to be exact, boast of gains of three or more members.

So far the best mark of the campaign is credited to John Ziegman of Lodge 138, Strabane, Pa., who enrolled ten new members in the opening week. The next highest number is six and this is held both by Mike Baloh, Lodge 7, Claridge, Pa., and Lenhart Werdinek, Lodge 29, Thomas, W. Va., who are tied for second honors, while in third place is Supreme Board member Milan Medvesek, Lodge 5, Cleveland, Ohio, with a total of four members to his credit.

Many veterans of past SNPJ campaigns already have their shoulders to the wheel of progress, determined to do all they can and more to bring new life into the organization for which they have worked and struggled for years. Among the more prominent of these are Joseph Snoy, Lucas Dornovsek Sr., George Smrekar, Joseph F. Durn, Anton Mezmarich, and Anton Zornik, to mention only a few of those listed below. Besides Brother Medvesek, two other members of the Supreme Board have entered the membership contest; they are District Vice-Presidents Ursula Ambrozich, Lodge 130, Eveleth, Minn., and James M. Maglich, Lodge 716, Imperial, Pa.

Since the previous report of the campaign, the list of known contestants or participants, whose names have been submitted by credit card or letter, has grown from eight in the first week to forty-three, a really splendid increase for such a short time. If this can be taken as an indication or measure of action to come in the future, there can be no question as to the success of the 40th Anniversary Campaign. The forty-three members, whose names appear on the campaign roll as contestants, are as follows:

Lodge	Name	Place
4	Florian Pishek	Neffs, Ohio
5	Milan Medvesek	Cleveland, Ohio
6	John M. Wirant	Sygan, Pa.
7	Mike Baloh	Claridge, Pa.
13	Joseph Snoy	Bridgesport, Ohio
27	Paulina Vivic	Frontenac, Kan.
29	Lenhart Werdinek	Thomas, W. Va.
48	Augustin Copeck	Barberton, Ohio
53	Joseph F. Durn	Cleveland, Ohio
60	Ralph Jerman	Lloydell, Pa.
62	Joseph Pechawer	Calumet, Mich.
71	John Kraly	Garret, Pa.
78	John Umek Jr.	Manly, Pa.
87	Anton Zornik	Hermine, Pa.
95	Anton Gardin	Oglasby, Ill.
105	Mary Qualias	Indianapolis, Ind.
122	George Smrekar	Alliquippa, Pa.
124	Louis Sasso	Forest City, Pa.
130	Ursula Ambrozich	Eveleth, Minn.
145	Mati Vidmar	Cliff Mine, Pa.
138	John Ziegman	Strabane, Pa.
144	Anton Zela	York Run, Pa.
197	Marion Korach	Ironton, Minn.
225	Annie Jelovchan	Edison, Kan.
240	Mati Poye	Bentleyville, Pa.
257	Josephine Gabriel	Cleveland, Ohio
	Frank Knafele	"
268	Jacob Kunstelj	Ely, Minn.
273	Lucas Dornovsek	Sheldon, Wis.
288	Jacob Baloh	Fredericktown, Pa.
315	Joseph Mohorich	Canton, Ohio
485	Joseph Sklarevic	Weirton, W. Va.
518	Frank Medic	Detroit, Mich.
532	Guido Salaseth	Columbia, Utah
568	Christina Stritar	Waukegan, Ill.
589	Frances Podboy	Strabane, Pa.
643	Mary Macek	Girard, Ohio
690	Mary Rodina	Kansas City, Kan.
700	Anton Mezmarich	Roundup, Mont.
711	John J. Rimac	Detroit, Mich.
716	James M. Maglich	Imperial, Pa.
202	Helen Slemberger	Great Falls, Mont.
	Frances J. Belote	"

Members, now is the time to join the campaign! Enroll at least one new member! Keep the SNPJ growing!

CAMPAIGN DIRECTOR.

Spirit-o-Grams

By Whoozit

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Just another week and our May Dance will be in full swing. How are your tickets coming along? Are you doing your best to sell as many as you possibly can?

Don't forget—the success of this dance depends on each one of you and the committee needs your full cooperation. Bring all your friends and I'll promise you they will have one grand evening to remember for a long time. If you need any more tickets, just get in touch with one of the committee members. The committee is as follows: Ann Spiller, 3979 Randall; Helen Hervoatin, 5914 Nashville; Mildred Dolask, 5914 Nashville; and Tillie Harvatin, 6001 Manchester.

The admission is 45c in advance and 50c at the door. All service men will be admitted free, and all are welcome. We also hope to see some of our out-of-town friends at this affair.

This coming Sunday, April 30, Planinski Raj Lodge will celebrate their 35th anniversary. A Miss Planinski Raj will be chosen, so you just have to be on hand and see which one of the three charming ladies will be chosen. You can depend on the Spirits to be there 100%.

Local Lodge 679, Radnicki Sloga, started a membership campaign and Bro. Pavletich has six new members already. How about Planinski Raj and Spirits get on the band wagon and bring in new members during this 40th Year Celebration.

The Spirits extend their deepest sympathy to Bro. Frank Barbic, Supreme Board member, on the loss of his wife.

THIS AND THAT—Ann Kokal's brother, Nick Dimitrovich, who is stationed at Great Lakes, Ill., is home on a 10-day leave. Sybil Youngman is enjoying her stay at Corsicana, Texas, with hubby Wally. Let us all hear from you, Sybil. We are all glad to hear that Sis. Mary Rhodas is doing nicely since her recent illness. Sis. Della Markoff's uncle died

a few days ago in Oakville, Ill. We extend our deepest sympathy to Sis. Markoff.

Just a reminder again—how are your tickets coming along? If you need any, just call on one of the committee—they are at your service always.

Watch this column for more news in the coming weeks.

Down Texas Way

He was one of those drill sergeants who make basic trainees quake in their GI brogues. One day he belted: "Eyes right."

From the rear ranks came an unidentified drawl: "Yo sho is, suth; you're a sergeant."

Furring Enterprise

In war or peace Yankee enterprise follows the American flag. Witness the following letter recently received by a Detroit man from his soldier son stationed somewhere in Australia.

"Dear Dad," runs the epistle, "I'm thinking about settling down here after the war and going into business. I'm planning on crossing kangaroos with raccoons and raising fur coats with pockets."

The Quickest, Surest Way YOU Can Help Win This War.

Buy Defense BONDS—STAMPS Now!

Juveniles

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—At long last action has begun in this community in regard to the Juvenile Circle, which may well begin to provide a plan for adequate recreation and education in its small and modest measure for our Juvenile members. At a recent meeting of representatives of Lodge Sloga, Lodge Moska Enakopravost, and Lodge Little Fort, steps were taken to insure such results.

It was the unanimous opinion that the Juvenile Circle, "Jolly Juveniles," should be continued; that the membership be divided into "age groups"; that an attempt be made to promote handicraft work, both for boys and for girls; that folk dancing be included in the program, with equal emphasis on Slovene folk dances and the dances of America. Dorothy Gabrovsek has been named manager, and the entire group of representatives have faithfully agreed to give all assistance possible.

The first meeting of the new society will be held on Wednesday night, May 3, at the Slovene Hall, at 7 o'clock. Cards will be sent to all members inviting their participation in the new program.

Co-op News

The Waukegan and North Chicago Cooperative Ass'n., Cooperative Trading Company, and the Lithuanian Cooperative, will join hands on Saturday, May 20, to provide a sight-seeing tour and a cooperative program for more than forty visitors from the central states cooperative area.

Board members and committee members of the more than twenty cooperatives in the area will be invited to visit our local cooperatives, to meet with board members and committee members of our cooperatives. The tour will also include a visit to the Slovene Hall, the Finnish Temperance Hall, and the Lithuanian Hall—all integral parts of our community and of great meaning to the nationality groups.

Hospital Unit

One of the fastest growing organizations in our community is the North Chicago Cooperative Group Health Unit. This unit provides hospitalization insurance, surgical benefits, and also accidental death coverage through the Group Health Mutual, Inc., of St. Paul, Minn., a cooperative group founded on Rochdale principles and a member of the Cooperative League of U.S.A.

Membership in the local unit is based on the common bond of interest of being a member-shareholder of the Waukegan and North Chicago Cooperative Association—that is, persons who are holders of a fully-paid share or holders of a part-paid share are eligible to join the Group Health Unit. This unit is democratically controlled by the membership, with a full set of officers and by-laws.

It is suggested that those who desire good coverage at modest rates should talk with the clerks at either the Tenth Street store or the Branch store at 1245 Victoria Street, North Chicago.

Merger

The article appearing in this column last week regarding the question of merging the three local SNPJ lodges has aroused some interest and has caused some comment by various members. In order that the discussion will not become bogged down in a question of personalities, this column would like to suggest a number of possible points to consider which should lead to a more clear atmosphere.

Instead of trying to decide the merits of merging by discussing small details of operation of the proposed local unit, the point first to consider is whether or not the broad general plan of merging is good. Each local lodge at its next meeting should by all means try to get the opinion of its members regarding the question. Then each local lodge should select a committee of perhaps five members to meet with the other two lodges—not with the purpose of going ahead and merging, but instead to give serious thought to the matter, and at that time going into the small details, such as by-laws, incorporation, rules of conduct, policies and principles in regard to our community, etc. Then each committee would report to its own lodge and the matter would be taken up there and decided. But above all, no definite action beyond the selection of a committee from each lodge to study the matter is contemplated for the next few months—the official study, jointly with all three lodges, should be conducted for a period of at least three months.

The possibilities and the advantages to be gained are too great not to require deep and serious thinking over a period of months—a good and solid foundation will carry the SNPJ local unit for another twenty years as the present lodges have been carried for the last twenty years.

T. K., Lodge 568.

A Matter of Taste

During his tour of the kitchen, the sergeant tasted a fruit pie.

"What kind of pie is this?" he snapped, after swallowing the mouthful with an effort.

"What does it taste like?" asked the cook, hurt at the question.

"Putty!" snapped the sergeant.

"Then it's peach pie," said the cook bitterly. "The apple pie tastes like paraffin!"

Juvenile Circles

Perfect Circle to Mark SNPJ's Fortieth Birthday

CHICAGO.—On Saturday, April 22, at a regular meeting, the Perfect Circle 26 completed plans for a program that will commemorate the 40th anniversary of the SNPJ. The program will be given on Saturday night, June 10, at 8 p. m. This time the Circle is going to try and present a different type of program, one that will have the originality and spontaneous enthusiasm of children putting on a program by themselves. "Down on the Farm" is the name chosen for the program, and we sincerely hope that everyone will like and enjoy it. Rehearsals will be held every Wednesday at 6:30 p. m. and on Saturdays according to individual schedules.

ANN SANNEMANN, Mgr.

Circle's Birthday and Mother's Day Party May 14

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—I wish to inform our members and friends, that our Circle No. 18 will hold the fifth anniversary dance on May 14 at Sparrow Park Gardens, 3052 W. Fond du Lac Ave.

As this date happens to be on Mother's Day, it is not more than right that we should think of our mothers and fathers, too, to honor and devote our special attention to them, on that particular day. For this purpose the members are preparing to stage a floor show and other entertainment, also many prizes will be distributed among the mothers and guests.

So make it a date and spend a pleasant day with our eager young members.

Admission will be very small to enable all young and old to attend.

To top it all a swell supper will be served, but don't bring your points, just work up your appetite, that's all that is needed.

All members of our Circle should be reminded that our monthly meeting will be held on April 30, same place and same time.

It is very urgent that each member should try to sell at least one book of drawing tickets, they are good for many valuable prizes, and they are selling for only a dime.

The May meeting of lodge 747, which falls on the same date as the dance, will be changed to one hour earlier than usual, to enable all members to attend the dance.

HELEN AMBROZICH, Mgr.

Dawn of Youth Juvenile Circle No. 7 Activities

GIRARD, O.—The dance sponsored by the Golden Eagles and Ljubljana lodges and held on Easter Saturday was a huge success. The hall was filled to capacity. Music was furnished by maestro Jack Persin and his Jolly Jesters.

All the older people were "tripping the light fantastic" to the polka and waltz refrains, and the downbeat that introduced the hot live numbers brought the younger set to the middle of the floor. And by younger set I do mean young. Perhaps some of you noticed Maxine Rostan and Elaine Augustine, little 9-year olds, swaying to and fro with more agility than the 'teen age folk possess. That was really "cute". The conga line brought the young boys out of their corner.

There were plenty of refreshments for young and old alike. There were quite a few servicemen present, also. Among them were Louis Raciek, Bill Settle, and Victor Selajko, all looking fine and enjoying themselves immensely.

It was an evening well spent and all that I can say is "When is there going to be another dance?" Let's hope for a fulfillment of that desire soon.

Last week the members of the chorus sent group of members to the Washington Avenue P. T. A. They were received appreciatively and received many nice compliments and an invitation to sing in Mineral Ridge sometime in the near future.

Our monthly meeting was held on April 16 at two o'clock. A favorable number of members was present.

It was decided that the Circle celebrate its anniversary in July by having some sort of program. Definite plans will be made by the committee consisting of Frieda Percehin, Dorothy Muster, and Gilbert Rohsel.

Each member will be rewarded a theatre ticket if he presents a suitable article for publication in the M. L., together with a picture of himself to the advisers.

After the May meeting, you shall have an opportunity to earn some "hard cash" if you answer questions correctly in a "Take It or Leave It" contest. Better brush up on your history dates, etc.

Vincent Martuceto won the insurance award and Louise Rebracca was called for the bank award but failed to be present.

The skating rink passes were won by J. Tancok, H. Leskovic, and Gil Rohsel.

Some members have not started paying their 2-cent dues yet. Please, get your money in to the treasurer F. Hake.

TID-BITS: We were sorry to hear that Jack Persin will not be on the radio again until fall. Circle members were planning to visit the

program. Orchids to G. H. S! We finally came through with flying colors and a Mustang Fighter Plane will be named in our honor.

IRENE ROVAN.

Juvenile Circle No. 11 Changes Date of Meetings

FRANKLIN, KANS.—The last regular meeting of the Jolly Kansas Juvenile Circle No. 11 was held at the Casa Vecchia Hall in Camp 50. The attendance was fair.

A letter was read from the SNPJ and the following received war stamps as winners in the contest: William Rezin, Carl Utepich, and Frances Slansek. I wish to express my sincere thanks to SNPJ. The pie supper was canceled; instead, we will have a picnic.

The meetings have been changed from 1st Sunday to 2nd Sunday of each month. Our next meeting will be held on May 14 at Ginardi's. There will be a program to honor the mothers for Mother's Day. Donald Ginardi and John Zibert played their accordion. Don't forget the next meeting on May 14.

FRANCES SLANSEK, Sec'y.

Circle 18 to Observe Birthday and Mother's Day

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—To put more life in our Circle and to help it financially for future activities, we are going to have, on May 14, our Fifth Anniversary Dance at which we will also honor our mothers. The committees are working very hard on getting a good program to commemorate such an important date.

In the period of five years we have had many happy days and also many sad ones. We were receiving many members and were losing quite a few also. But the past is forgotten and we are looking into the future with more energy to build our Circle bigger and stronger.

As we all know, mothers are the greatest loving persons in the world for every individual. And our duty is, as younger members of our great mother SNPJ, to remember the great work of the mothers at least once a year.

The program will be a very humorous one from what I have been told. We have some very good actors who are planning something for the program that even some of the members do not know what it is going to be. The food committee is going to prepare a plate lunch, so that the people who do not want to go home may stay for supper. There will be sandwiches for those who do not want a plate lunch.

The party will be held at Sparrow Park Gardens, 3060 W. Fond du Lac Ave., and will start at about 3 o'clock p. m., right after the regular meeting of mother lodge Vilolija. The program will be in the afternoon and after that dancing will continue until the curfew hour, 12 p. m. There will be no admission, but a donation of 25c will be collected from every person over 12 years of age.

As this affair means very much for the future progress of our Circle, we invite all of you of the younger set, especially members of Circle 4 of SNPJ to visit us on that day, which will show us your cooperation in building a bigger and better SNPJ.

So we wish to see you all there on May 14.

To all members of Circle 18: Please attend the meeting April 30 at 2 p. m. at the usual place.

JOSEPHINE VIDMAR, Pres.

Can Russia Pay For Supplies?

Spokesmen for the Soviets have indicated that Russia will be in the market for a billion dollars' worth of American supplies annually for 10 years after this war ends.

The "Wall Street Journal" speculates as to how Russia can arrange the necessary "credit." It can't export very much, because it will need at home practically everything it can turn out. Will international bankers accept its notes or will Britain or the United States advance the money?

We would suggest a simpler solution. Russia can easily mine all the gold necessary to pay its bills. Almost any mining engineer familiar with the facts, will support that statement.

Of course, we have more gold now than we know what to do with, but is it too much to hope that, after peace comes, we will find ways to use it beneficially?—Labor

1944 WAR FUND

YOUR RED CROSS IS AT HIS SIDE

Official Proceedings

SNPJ FINANCE COMMITTEE

Meeting of March 18

Chairman Petrovich called the meeting to order at 9 a. m. All members of the committee were present. Minutes of the Feb. 9 meeting were approved as read.

Sec'y Kuhel made the following report: During the month of February, juvenile mortgage loans 30 (Vogrich, Milwaukee) and 53 (Vidrich, Johnstown), amounting to \$300.02 and \$150.00, respectively, have been repaid. They both expired some time ago and were not renewed due to the low unpaid balance. FIA 43 (Rozovsky, Cleveland) was paid in full; the principal balance amounted to \$1,720.97.

Since our February meeting the following bonds have been paid in full, either on account of maturity or due to call for redemption: \$5,000 Standard Public Service, 5% due 1948, called at 100% on February 23; amount received for principal was \$5,037.50.—\$4,000 West Allis, Wis., 5% funding bonds matured and paid, March 1.—\$2,000 Chicago Park District, 4 1/2%, Refunding bonds, Series B, were called at par and paid on March 1.—\$10,000 Chicago Park District, 4% Refunding bonds, Series B, were called and paid on March 1.—\$25,000 State of Illinois Highway bonds, 4%, matured and paid March 1.

Property known as 255-57 W. 103rd St., Chicago, Ill., was sold under contract, as of March 1; cash payment amounted to \$1,000, and for the balance of \$6,000, we accepted a real estate contract with payments on monthly amortized basis.

Real estate, known as 1360 S. Hamlin Ave., Chicago, was also sold on March 1, for \$3,800 cash.

Since our February meeting, \$5,000 was invested in Reliance Federal Savings and Loan Association of Chicago, in accordance with our decision.

Your attention is called to the fact that the following bonds are called for payment within the next few months: \$50,000 Los Angeles, Cal., Department of Water and Power, 2 1/2% bonds issued in 1940, due April 1, 1963.—\$10,000 Highlands Special Road and Bridge District, Fla., 5% bonds will mature on April 1.—\$6,000 U.S. Treasury 3 1/2% bonds, due 1947, are called as of April 15, 1944. \$325.-325.00 HOLC 3% bonds, (all such bonds owned by the Society), are called as of May 1.

This makes a total of \$457,325 par value of bonds with an average yield of over 3%, which will have to be re-invested within the next six weeks. In addition thereto, we still have to decide about Willacy County, Texas, bonds, which have been called last November, but which we decided to hold pending further investigation and developments; as well as \$10,000 Bernalillo County, New Mexico, 5% bonds, due April 7, 1954, which were likewise called as of April 7, 1944. Here is another case of interpretation of State Laws governing the issuance of these bonds, and again it looks as though the bondholders are holding the shorter end. Just a few months ago, these bonds were selling at approximately 112, now they are called at par in spite of the fact, the bond itself provides that it can be paid only at the date of maturity. He suggests that this matter be discussed together with Willacy County bonds and that your treasurer be given definite instructions whether to surrender these bonds on the specified date or hold them, pending some additional information. We own these bonds since 1924.

He has also written to Attorney Joseph Zorman of Cleveland, in regard to the status of old mortgages in the State of Ohio. His report will be presented for discussion during this meeting.

Report accepted, all transactions mentioned approved.

The legal opinion of Attorney Zorman, regarding mortgage loans in the State of Ohio, was read. After a short discussion, it was unanimously decided that extension be required on all loans in Cleveland with balances over \$1,000 and that interest shall not be reduced below 5%. Secretary Kuhel is empowered to adjust this matter.

Kuhel read his letter to the treasurer of Willacy County, Texas, and the answer dated February 26, 1944. After a short discussion, it was decided that our secretary should try to get further information.

It was unanimously decided to hold Bernalillo County, New Mexico, bonds until the next meeting.

Funds available for investment at this meeting amount to \$100,000 in the adult department. There is also \$5,000 available for investment in Canada.

It was unanimously decided to invest \$100,000 in U.S. Treasury bonds—Series G, \$5,000 will be invested in the new Canadian war bond issue, during the drive in April.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p. m.

Matt Petrovich, Chairman
M. G. Kuhel, Secretary
Jacob Zupan, Rec. Sec'y.

Is It Right?

Poverty asked, "Will it cost too much?"

Mammon, "Will it pay?"

And Scholarship, "Is the measure wise."

And are you sure of the way?"

Steadfastness, "Can we find the time to finish before the night?"

But when the Seeker had heard them all,

He only asked, "Is it right?"

A Plan for Social Enterprise

By Maynard C. Krueger

(Maynard C. Krueger, member of the Pioneers, SNPJ lodge 558, is assistant professor of economics at the University of Chicago and a frequent and stimulating participant in the nationally broadcast University of Chicago Round Table. The following important article, dealing with postwar problems, appeared in the April issue of the Common Sense, which is highly recommended to our readers.—Ed.)

A lively group of "progressives" has appeared recently on the left wing of big business. Their main line seems to be the time has come when big business can no longer afford to be cold, inept and impolite. It must be smart, and it must develop a Social Conscience, at the verbal level.

These new spokesmen for the left wing of the National Association of Manufacturers center largely around Fortune magazine and the Committee for Economic Development. They speak much about the atmosphere, the climate, the environment which political democracy must provide for the private profit system. They say nothing about the obligation of the economy to produce the economic environment proper to political democracy.

If one asks whether the private enterprise system has produced plenty of goods regularly under decent human conditions and whether it has distributed them well, the answer is clearly NO. If one asks whether the private enterprise system produces the kind of people who are interested in justice and equality and the dignity of man, the answer must be that it produces the opposite of such qualities. The heroes of private enterprise are dedicated to "hard-hitting and aggressive leadership, daring and shrewdness in the assumption of risks." (Mr. Robert R. Nathan used these words with approval in his article last month.) This aggressiveness and shrewdness are frequently devoted to avoiding rather than to assuming risks; but always they are devoted to the acquisition of private profit, not to the promotion of the common good.

The qualities of self-interested aggressiveness and shrewdness are sedulously cultivated as the mainspring of private profit enterprise. Applied on a national scale they give us plutocracy and poverty, class conflict and the business cycle, seasoned with some technological progress and a dash of sentimental private charity. They do not give us democracy. Applied on the international scale they give us Mr. Churchill and the British Empire, with challengers. They do not give us peace.

Of the seventeen years which have passed since I came of age, fourteen have been years of either depression or world war. The record is no better for anyone else born since 1906. This is not a condemnation of a man or a theory or a tax bill. It is a condemnation of a system.

As an unintentional by-product of the war, one-quarter of our industrial plant capacity has come to be owned by the public through its government. What we do with it will be an important factor in determining our future. It follows that this new public domain should be handled in accordance with our best perspective on what kind of an economy we want. This is a question within the scope of powers of men who know what they want.

Mr. Nathan wants the public through its government to serve as a crutch for private enterprise. But most of all, he wants the government to "provide the proper economic environment" for exactly those qualities which choke democracy by subverting government and morals to the service of private interest as against the common good.

Mr. Lewis Corey in his article in the February issue wants the public to become a partner of the private profit system in a mixed economy of public and private enterprise. Mr. Corey's mixed economy raises these discouraging problems:

(1) There are small but powerful elements which can be mobilized in support of private enterprise. They are mobilized, and they are advertising heavily, mostly at public expense, in journals other than Common Sense. There are large and powerful elements which can be mobilized in support of public enterprise. There are neither large nor powerful elements which can be mobilized in a crusade for a mixed economy.

(2) The operation of a mixed economy on a stable basis would require a stronger and more sagacious government than would be required for the operation of the sort of socialized economy which I shall describe. To police real competition in the private sector of the economy requires greater bureaucracy than the supervision of socialized industry. To protect the socialized sector against the encroaching and corrupting morality of the private sector is a task that cannot be performed by a government which of necessity must recognize both to be of equal value.

(3) The mixed economy is not likely to stay mixed except on the basis of private operation of everything that pays a profit and public operation of everything that does not. Public operation of some plants will necessitate taking over others or subverting the ones we have. The public plants will be a beachhead which must either be enlarged or surrendered. Mr. Nathan is justifiably "doubtful whether this positive influence" of partial public competition with private industry "would begin to offset the negative effect of the jitters which such a policy would give to businessmen."

(4) Any change from a predominantly private profit system must

be great enough to shift the moral basis of the economy. Fascism, with its philosophy of state omnipotence, makes a shift of the necessary magnitude, in exactly the wrong direction. A democratic socialized economy can shift the moral basis of economic society from acquisition by exploitation to the provision of the economic prerequisites for the good life for all. It can subordinate economic activity to the conscience of man. The mixed economy cannot, because it is morally schizophrenic.

What we need is a new and radically different economic system. It should be based on (1) the recognition of the instrumental character of economic activity, not as an end but as prerequisite to good ends, and (2) a treatment of men as men, not as objects of exploitation by other men. The desirable alternative to Mr. Nathan's hopeless revival of private enterprise and Mr. Corey's helpless mixed economy is the socialization of business enterprise.

The efficiency of operation of any enterprise must be judged in terms of its accepted criteria of success. The criterion of success of private enterprise is the private profit margin. It is stupid to judge the efficiency of private profit enterprise by standards of public welfare. If we reject its standard of success as antisocial, we must reject that type of enterprise as anti-social.

A social enterprise is one whose criterion of success is the public welfare or the common good. It requires machinery for collective determination of what is the public welfare and what are the general rules of management. The need for management is not obviated by socialization of industry. It is owners who have become obsolete, not the managers. A program for the proper socialization of industry is therefore a program for professionalizing business management by eliminating private owners and making management responsible to boards of control that represent the best definition of the common good which the people are able to provide.

Social enterprise may take several different forms. The one most commonly mentioned is straight and direct government ownership and operation. This is the form which corporate advertisers would like to have us believe is the only alternative to private profit enterprise. This form might be illustrated by the United States Post Office at the national level or the local water-works at the municipal level.

A second form of social enterprise is the Rochdale cooperative. Its motivation and its criterion of success are defined in social terms, not in terms of profit to private owners. A third form includes a wide range of enterprises which are non-profit in their aims and conduct, though they may copy some of the forms of private enterprise. Most churches and private educational institutions fall in this category. The public has no interest in preventing their operation as long as they can find supporters and market, though their view of the common good may be segmental. The public may even want to encourage them, but they must not become profit institutions in non-profit guise, as have some of the mutual insurance companies.

A fourth form, and the most important form of social enterprise, is the public corporation. A public corporation is a corporation without private owners. The whole concept of ownership drops out, and function takes its place. It gets its initial capital through public sources, and its board of directors must represent something other than private owners. This is the great virtue of the public corporation.

The chief problem of a socialized economy is the problem of bureaucracy. That public enterprise can be efficient and economically workable is demonstrated even by so poor an economy as that of the Soviet Union. That public planning can greatly increase output is proved by the American war economy. But can public enterprise be democratically controlled? Must it lead to the totalitarian state? As the people's business is increasingly handled through public channels, can the control of those public channels be put and kept in the hands of the people? Isn't the little man just as little in dealing with big government as in dealing with big business? What gain is there in swapping a private dictator for a public one?

Throughout centuries of human history the chief enemy of the liberties of men has been the absolute state. During the nineteenth century, particularly after the victory of the private corporation and the trust movement, the chief enemy of the liberties of men had become large-scale aggregations of private economic power. Now we do not want to be delivered from the nineteenth century enemy by calling in the sixteenth century enemy.

(Continued next week)

Distribution Aim of Cooperatives

Consumers' Coops Celebrate 100th Anniversary; Chicago to be Scene of National Congress

In all parts of the world in 1944, consumers cooperatives are observing the one hundredth anniversary of the Rochdale Cooperative of Rochdale, England. This cooperative store, organized in 1844, has given the world the form of customer-owned business organization known as the Rochdale Principles of Cooperation.

The national Centennial Congress of the cooperative movement will be held in Chicago October 9-13 as part of the Centennial observance. Leaders and delegates from the U. S.'s 7,000 urban and rural cooperatives will attend the Congress. In addition, international cooperative leaders are expected to take part. Among those who have been invited to speak are Albin Johansson, of the Kooperativa Forbundet of Sweden, A. B. MacDonald, of the Cooperative Wholesale Society of England.

The cooperative movement, at the beginning of the war when last figures were available, was established in 40 countries of the world and numbered 70,000,000. In Sweden, Norway, England, Scotland, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, and Finland cooperative stores, wholesales and factories accounted for large percentage of the business in each nation. In those countries which are free of Axis domination, the cooperatives have continued to grow and to attract new members during the war.

Cooperatives have grown rapidly in the United States during the past twenty years. Farmers cooperatives to purchase gasoline and farm supplies developed during the '20s, and the '30s saw an increase of urban cooperative societies selling groceries, gasoline, fuel, and other consumers' goods.

Today in the United States there are 2,900,000 member-families, and an annual volume of cooperative business of over \$1,000,000,000.

Even before the thirties, however, urban cooperative stores had been developed by many foreign-language groups to whom cooperation was a traditional way of doing business. The Cooperative Trading Company of Waukegan, started in 1909 among Finnish and Swedish groups, now operates six food stores, a bakery, dairy and sausage factory with an annual volume of \$1,500,000. Like all originally foreign-language societies, the membership of the Cooperative Trading Company now includes people of various national origins and serves the community as a whole.

Other cooperatives in the Chicago area which have been in existence twenty years or more are: Workers' Home Cooperative Society, 2659 S. Fullaak Rd., founded by Bohemians; Italian Cooperative, 5020 W. 14th St., Chicago, Ill.; West Side Italian Cooperative, 2448 S. Oakley; Waukegan-North Chicago Coop Trading Co., 523 10th St., North Chicago, founded by Slovenes; and Lithuanian Cooperative, 901 8th St., Waukegan, Ill.

Representative of the newer societies founded within the past ten years are: North Shore Cooperative Society, with stores in Evanston and Winnetka; Hyde Park Cooperative, 1464 E. 57th St., Chicago; Diversity-Damen Cooperative, 2759 N. Hoyne; Garfield Park Cooperative, 53 E. 47th St.; Morgan Park Cooperative, 1436 W. 111th St.; County Line Cooperative, Western Springs, and South DuPage Cooperative, Westmont, Ill.

Cooperative leaders point out to the spread of cooperative enterprises throughout the world during the past 100 years and to the savings made for patrons through consumer ownership as proof of the value of the cooperative idea, and its promise as a means of equitable distribution of the world's abundance.

"The cooperative method," declared Murray D. Lincoln, president of the Cooperative League of the USA, before the Conference of International Co-op Reconstruction, "is one of the answers to the post-war problem of maintenance of relatively high production, full employment, high purchasing power with maximum use of human and material resources. We must overcome this paradox of want and hunger amidst potential plenty."

"Cooperatives," editorialized the New York Times, "exert a wholesome influence upon business in general by tending to keep commerce free and to remind all enterprise of the interest of the consumer. The cooperative idea may plan a vital part in reconstructing the world after the war and in preventing future wars."

- The Rochdale principles, which distinguish cooperative business from other types of business are:
 1. Open membership. Anyone can join regardless of race or creed, and anyone may trade at the store, even though he is not a member.
 2. Democratic Control. One vote per member regardless of investment.
 3. Limited Interest on Capital.
 4. Patronage Return. All monies paid in for services over and above operating expenses are returned to the customer in proportion to purchases. This feature makes cooperatives a non-profit business.
 5. Sell at Cash Market Prices.
 6. Neutrality in Race, Religion and Politics.
 7. Constant Education.
 8. Continuous Expansion.

The Upper Crust



"That's what I said . . . fighting the union is unpatriotic today. Every school kid knows that!"

All This and Heaven Too

A Poignant Drama of Social Significance in 1/2 Act

(The following piece of dramatic literature, written by Charles Fisher, member of the American Newspaper Guild (CIO), appeared in the April 15 Guild Reporter, official organ of ANG. Columnist Fisher of the Philadelphia Record is author of "The Columnists—a Surgical Survey," a book published March 27.)

(The piece was written recently when G. Mason Owlett, a Pennsylvania politician, told the Philadelphia Manufacturers' Association that employers must begin educating their workers, directing their thoughts, as he put it, along "constructive, cooperative lines." As a consequence, if Mr. Owlett doesn't mind, we will look in on one of his classes today. He is nearing the end of the morning's lesson as the curtain goes up.)

Mr. Owlett. And now, ladies and gentlemen, I think we are all agreed on the principles of free enterprise as outlined here. Perhaps one of our little scholars will give us a brief definition of free enterprise. Pupil (waving his hand eagerly). Fifteen dollars a week, sir.

Mr. Owlett (raising his eyebrows). Every week? Pupil (blushing). Well, no, sir. When times are good, I mean.

Mr. Owlett. And what does the loyal worker do when times are bad? Pupil. Stay . . . I mean, he gets laid off, but he's happy because that proves he is not regimented and mulcted by unscrupulous union leaders. Besides, free soup will be available Tuesday noon, through the generosity of the business leaders of the community.

Mr. Owlett. Excellent, Quivvens. Now, I wonder who can tell me what an employee should receive after 50 years of service when his superiors decide he is no longer able to work and fire . . . that is to say, relieve him of his responsibilities. What is his reward?

Another Pupil (awed). A gold watch! Mr. Owlett. Well, you should have said a handsomely engraved gold watch, but the answer will pass. (His voice deepens to a growl.) But, what do we call a social security system which guarantees that man a regular income for the rest of his life?

The Whole Class. Communism! . . . Radicalism! . . . Un-Americanism! . . . Interference with free enterprise! . . . Regimentation! . . . Dirty politics!

Mr. Owlett. Splendid. I've never known a more receptive class. Suppose one of our cooperative, constructive members tells us what he thinks of the 40-hour week? Quivvens. It's a cheap political maneuver devised by moronic politicians and supported by money-hungry, dues-chasing, opportunist overlords of labor!

Mr. Owlett (checking the adjectives). Correct. What is a proper work week, Quivvens? Quivvens. Why, sir, it would be impertinent for a worker to express an opinion here. The matter should be left entirely to the wisdom of employer.

Mr. Owlett. Excellent! While we are on the subject, what is overtime pay? (There is a chorus of boos, but, finally, Quivvens makes himself heard.)

Quivvens (proudly). There is no such thing as overtime pay, sir! Mr. Owlett. Very nicely put, indeed! I see our period is drawing to a close. I have one final announcement to make, but before that, is there any alert student who remembers the political duties of the true American workman?

Voice in the Rear. I do, sir. He tries to remember what he has been taught here, but in case he forgets, he just follows the instructions he will receive in his pay envelope just before election.

Mr. Owlett. That's it, Scudge. Thank you. Now, before the next class, I want you to write a 2,000-word essay on "How American Labor Can Best Get Back to the Golden Age of 1870." The prize for the best work (he pauses for attention) will be a complete collection of the works of Westbrook Pegler!

(The cheers are deafening. Mr. Owlett raises a hand.) Mr. Owlett. Thank you. I know you will all try hard to earn it. I see by my watch that class has been in session exactly 48 minutes today. You will all be decked for that time. Good morning, ladies and gentlemen.

(The class applauds heartily and many members stop to wring Mr. Owlett's hand as they leave. At least, we think it is his hand they are wringing; the curtain falls so rapidly that we can't quite see.)

Note to publishers opposing the Guild shop: Columnist Fisher wants to make it clear that he did NOT write this column at the orders of the Guild.

Scientists Promising Big Things

If even half the improvements promised by scientists are realized, life after the war is going to be more comfortable than most of us ever imagined.

The Associated Press this week told of a "vest pocket" furnace that can heat a 10-room house and is now awaiting its turn on post-war assembly line. It is a development of the petroleum interests. The furnace is 10 inches in diameter and 15 inches long and weighs 20 pounds. Much smaller stoves, capable of heating one room, will be available.

From the duPonts came an announcement that they had a new chemical treatment which makes almost all soft woods nearly as hard as steel and will produce a thousand kinds of hardwood that never existed in nature.

For example, in a few hours, soft white pine can be changed into wood as hard as ebony. Transformed wood can be made to resemble mahogany, rose wood or cherry or any color of the rainbow. The chemical bath can be used to mold sawdust, shavings, cotton, paper, leather, farm wastes and bamboo into hard woody articles.

Large scale timber conservation is held out as a possibility. The United States lumbers only about 50 species of forest trees, but has nearly 1,000 others that have been of little use industrially, mostly because the wood is too soft. These fast-growing trees can be used as substitutes for others that require a century of growth before they are ready for logging. The duPonts even go so far as to claim that wood treated with their process will be substituted for iron, aluminum and other metals. It is impervious to heat or moisture, it is said.

You Know the Type

They were discussing fainting at the first aid class. The instructor explained that the primary cause of fainting was a fault of circulation, and the way to prevent it was by getting the head lower than the heart.

"For instance," he said, "if you feel faint and don't want to call attention to the fact, just lean down and tie your shoelace over and over again." A woman in the class raised her hand. "What sort of a knot is used?"

SNPJ Sports

National Athletic Board

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Midwest Entry Date Extended

In order to accommodate all late entries, particularly of bowlers from the out-of-town lodges, the final entry date of the Midwest SNPJ Bowling Tournament has been moved forward to Monday, May 1. Lodge officials and bowlers are requested to please make note of this change and send in their entries and fees in such time that they will reach the tournament secretary not later than the final deadline date.

CLEVELAND DOUBLES TOURNAMENT SUCCESSFUL

W. Schlarb, F. Spehek, M. Koren and T. Jeric Cop High Honors

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—The initial Doubles Bowling Tournament of the SNPJ, held at the Slovene Workers' Home Alleys, April 15 and 16, proved to be a rousing success, with fifty teams participating for coveted trophies, prizes and honors. The social affairs, both Saturday and Sunday, were attended by a gay crowd of young and old people who really enjoyed themselves.

William Schlarb and Frank Spehek, members of the Cleveland Spartans (576), romped off with the highest honors and awards in the men's division in the closing session of the tourney by posting a 1257 combined total. Schlarb whied in his ebonyite for games of 179, 210 and 210 for a 599 series, which, incidentally, was the best score of the two day event. His partner Spehek rolled in spite of a badly burned hand, that was injured only an hour before bowling time, and came through with a 511 series in their pay-off struggle, giving them the winning 1257 count, including a handicap of 147 pins. George Jelinek and John Spilar of the Utopians (604), however, racked up an actual score of 1124 to take top honors in this respect.

Mollie Koren and Theresa Jeric, Comrade (588) and Struggler (614) members combined to walk off with the ladies' doubles crown with a sparkling 1200 total. The girls paired up with respective scores of 498 and 507 for an actual count of 1005, which was high for the fair sex, and a 195 pin spot put the clincher on the medal awards.

The high single games were bowled by Joe Birk of Lunder-Adamic (28) and Mary Primosch of Napredne Slovenke (137), who crashed the maples for 224 and 195 in their respective divisions.

Tournament Talk: At the tournament were bowlers and visitors from Milwaukee, Chicago, Detroit, Barberton, Verona and, of course, Cleveland—Michael Vrhovnik, Juvenile Director, attended and presided at the Athletic Board meeting. Two short sessions were held with district representatives, Anton Verbeck, Frank Lotrich, Larry Cassol and John Spilar in attendance. Absent from the meeting on account of his work, was Frank Jacoby of Johnstown, Pa., District No. 1.—Others at the meeting were Joseph "Whitey" Matthews and Joe Francel of the Tournament Committee, Ann Groser of the Chicago Pioneers and Marko Shappek, the "bowling sharpie" of the Milwaukee Badgers, who seldom misses an important SNPJ affair regardless of the distance.—Stan Benedict and Eddie Menart were paired on the same alleys with Olga Valencheck and Mary Apchak, and you could see they were having a grand time even though the scores were none too high.—And there

was "Lefty" Kovach of Detroit telling tall tales about wooden legs, etc.—and Jo Klarich, Julia Bogatay, Marko Shappek, Anton Verbeck and "yours truly" teaming up to lace the Concordians in league play.—Nor can we overlook the swell cooperation from Adolph Perdan, manager of the bowling alleys.

Social Sites: The hard working accordionist throughout the two days was Joe Frances of the Utopians.—Personal nominee for the busiest bartender is Tony Gerchman.—at the girls in the kitchen, who serve those extra delicious ham and kiwi base sandwiches, just couldn't be beat.—John Jerse trying to warble "Rose-of-Tralee" over the strains of a Slovenian number.—Joe Matthews, Athletic League Prexy, sneaking in a polka with the Mrs. Ann and Sophie Opeka, and Joyce Gorshe making a surprise entry and staying late.—Michael Vrhovnik having a busy evening.—Anton Verbeck requesting "On Wisconsin" for a farewell song just before leaving for the depot.—and much more people and places—but in closing, the Cleveland SNPJ Athletic League wishes to express their appreciation and thanks to all who made this happy get-together a tremendous success. . . . Don't fail to buy those bonds and stamps. It will help to make our homecoming jamboree the best ever for our boys over there.

TOURNAMENT SCORES

Men's Division		
Name	Score	
1. F. Spehek-W. Schlarb	1257	
2. J. Birk-J. Primosch	1172	
3. A. Dolgas-J. Godec	1211	
4. R. Skutes-J. Marolt	1210	
5. F. Swigel-M. Poklar	1195	
6. T. Urh-J. Jeric	1182	
7. J. Spilar-G. Jelinek	1160	
8. A. Poklar-J. Strudel	1160	
9. J. Karlinar-A. Zamen	1151	
10. J. Fiolit-J. Smole	1146	
12. M. Shappek-A. Verbeck	1125	
13. J. Francel-J. Matthews	1124	
14. J. Japel-W. Jary	1112	

Women's Division		
Name	Score	
1. M. Koren-T. Jeric	1200	
2. O. Stefanic-J. Palocich	1172	
3. A. Matosel-A. Bryncik	1141	
5. M. Stefanic-A. Jeric	1140	
6. O. Valencheck-M. Apchak	1109	
7. F. Spik-P. Spik	1106	
8. A. Groden-S. Zorman	1102	
9. M. Marn-A. Potocnik	1096	
10. M. Vrhovnik-J. Tolar	1094	
11. M. Lunder-M. Menich	1090	
12. M. Zorman-F. Svetina	1085	

Series—J. Spilar & G. Jelinek 1124
Hi Game—Joe Birk 224

Series—M. Koren & T. Jeric 1005
Hi Game—Mary Primosch 195

(*) asterisk indicates trophy winner.

OTHER SCORES

Men's Division		
B. Kronar-F. Zupon	1109	
H. Zorman-T. Gerchman	1103	
E. Driets-E. Benedikt	1094	
F. Zagore-J. Glavic	1085	
J. Zedel-F. Gregoric	1073	
P. Manillo-B. Strever	1070	
M. Podnar-J. Tolar	1066	
N. Vrhovnik-J. Marsh	1067	
A. Groser-F. Lotrich	1061	
C. Dornish-A. Opecek	1061	
J. Zorman-E. Stefanic	1048	
H. Lisch-L. Cassol	1037	
E. Menart-S. Benedikt	1037	

Women's Division		
A. Tanko-S. Rozman	1061	
B. Naprudnik-J. Bogatay	1078	
M. Grjazar-F. Perusek	1069	
F. Pucel-M. Floran	1066	
F. Preseren-J. Tomic	1063	
J. Debeljak-F. Aleks	1063	
I. Werholtz-A. Bogatay	1054	
N. Valencheck-M. Zodnik	1044	
C. Lisch-A. Madye	1029	
L. Jeram-T. Clements	1019	
R. Kostiz-J. Klarich	1001	

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